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Educators Confer At Lyndon

Faculties of the four normal schools, Commissioner Noble, Deputy Commissioner Batchelder, their assistants and the twelve demonstration teachers met in conference at Lyndon Normal School on September 4-6.

The conference, which was the first in a series to be held, had for its theme "Curriculum Revision in Elementary Teacher Education." The major purpose of the conference centered around a study of the service which is being offered at the four institutions. Meeting together develops a mutual understanding and appreciation among the members of the institutions, and insures a greater degree of desirable uniformity in the type of curriculum organization and course offerings in the schools. It also increases the effectiveness of the common program for the elementary teacher.

The plan of the conference, which was strictly a working one using no outside speakers, was a general session each morning, consisting of an address and announcements of discussions to follow. Committee groups were set up among the general subject fields. At the general session on Saturday morning each committee group gave a report of the work accomplished during the conference and announced plans for the next meeting to be held during the meeting of the Vermont Education Association in Burlington, October 9-11.

The faculty from Castleton was liberally represented in leadership of the groups. Miss Markham was appointed chairman of the music and art group, Mr. Fox, psychology group, and Miss Morrill, the student teaching group. Mr. Keech acted as secretary for the science group and Miss Black for the social studies group.

JACK SPRATT VISITS LIBRARY

Mother Goose in 30 editions occupies a central place in the library this week. Arthur Rackham's conception of "Bye Baby Bunting" is there along with "Little Miss Muffet" and "Jack Spratt." Florence Choate and Elizabeth Curtis are represented as are John Tenniel, Walter Crane, Blanche Fisher Wright and other well known illustrators. Some of the copies bear no famous illustrator's name but show signs of long, hard wear and affectionate handling.

The Sophomore classes in children's literature are sponsoring the exhibition. The various editions have come from Rutland Free Library, Middlebury Public Library, Gilbert Hart Library in Wallingford, and the private libraries of different sophomores.

This is the first of a series of exhibitions of children's literature to be displayed in order that students may become more familiar with many versions and with many illustrators of children's books.

IMPROVEMENTS AT C. N. S.

Carpenters, painters, and roofers have made many changes during the summer months that make the plant more convenient and attractive. Of major importance is the heating plant which guarantees to the school plenty of heat for the coming winter months.

Phillip's House has had a new coat of paint. The porch has been removed, making the rooms lighter. Inside, the halls have been newly papered and two student rooms have been redecorated.

New roofs have been put on both the administration and boarding halls.

Those who live and work in Leavenworth Hall found the partition between the serving room and the kitchen rearranged to make a comfortable pastry room. The kitchen itself received a renovation and now appears in shining yellow, white and green.

A new sander has been purchased which makes possible refinishing all floors into waxy, smooth surfaces. The kitchen floor furnishes proof of the efficiency of this sander and all other floors will receive attention as time allows.

Electric fans have been installed in the kitchen and serving room.

On the second floor of the dormitory is "the green room," the first student room to be finished in color and the promise of a new note in decoration to come.

In Woodruff Hall, the office of Mr. Scott is in a new location and fitted out with new office furniture.

The ceiling in the music room in the Old Chapel has been dropped to improve the acoustic quality.

Plans for further improvements are in process as soon as the budget will permit.

CROW'S NEST

New floor, new underpinning, new bath, and a new water system make this year's "Crow's Nest" almost a new place. The new floor is attractively refinished in oak over an underpinning substantial enough to withstand many years of collegiate enterprise. Better accommodations are offered by the addition of another bathroom with a sufficient water supply and a sewage system. By the addition of a new stovepipe for the hot-water heater, it is guaranteed that there will be no frozen pipes this winter.

TO BONNIE

Castleton just wasn't Castleton without you Bonnie. We can't tell how glad we are to have you back and how happy it makes us to see that crinkly smile again.

C. N. S. GREET'S NEW PEOPLE

Miss Helen Loudon is the new librarian taking the place of Miss Catherine Dennison, who resigned in June.

Miss Loudon was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1939 and received her degree of library science from Simmons College, Boston, in 1940. Following her graduation she worked a year in the library of the University.

When asked her impression of Castleton, she stated that she considered it a picturesque town, and that she enjoyed living and working here. She added that her work was aided by the attractiveness and convenient arrangement of the library.

Demonstration Teachers

Both Castleton Corners and North Breton schools have new teachers this year.

Miss Spooner comes to Castleton Corners from her previous position in North Ferrisburg school. She has also taught in Westfield. She was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1938.

While the Castleton Corners school is being repaired, Miss Spooner holds her classes at Hydeville School.

From a position in St. Johnsbury, Miss Pattrick comes to North Breton. She was also graduated from the University of Vermont in 1938, where she specialized in music.

Health Director

Miss May Willard, who is now our health director, is a real Vermonter. She was born in Townshend, attended Leland-Gray Seminary, and taught in rural schools for three years.

In 1911, Miss Willard forsook the profession and became interested in practical nursing.

Like Miss Wilson, the former health director, Miss Willard enjoys sewing, reading, and crocheting.

FACULTY COMMITTEES

The faculty committees to help plan and carry out an effective program for both student and faculty needs have been chosen for the current year.

At the first faculty meeting which was held this year the various committees for the year were chosen. Miss Black, Mrs. Hewitt, and Dr. Fox were appointed to make plans for the Open House to be held October 9. Those comprising the credential committee are: Miss Kelly, Dr. Fox, and Dean Morrill. Committee A, whose duty pertains to student welfare and guidance, consists of Dean Morrill, Dr. Fox, Miss Ewald and Miss Jackson. Committee B with Miss Black, Miss Hale, and Mr. Keech are concerned with public relations and school service while Mrs. Hewitt, Miss Kelly, Miss Markham and Mr. Arnold on Committee C deal with health, recreation, housing, social life and campus activities. The social

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Orientation Week Proves Successful

Freshman Week saw its inaugural at Castleton Normal School, September 7-10. Conducted jointly by the college faculty and student senate the program was arranged to orient the new students to the purposes and the program of the college. All freshmen were required to live on the campus during the orientation period.

Activities started with supper on Sunday with each faculty member acting as host to a small group of students. Registration, informal sings, teas, play periods, movies of college activities and conferences with the faculty filled days and evenings for the freshmen. Some of the faculty conference talks concerned ways of using the library effectively, taking notes, budgeting one's time wisely, making new friends, improving reading techniques, developing good study habits, and living together harmoniously. Student conduct and responsibility, grading and attendance systems in use at the school, forming good health habits and good mental health were also discussed in faculty-student meetings.

An all school party in the auditorium with games, dancing, and refreshments brought the orientation to a close on Wednesday night.

Regular class sessions were held on Friday and Saturday.

V. E. A. HOLDS ANNUAL SESSION

Teachers from the length and breadth of the Green Mountain state will meet at Burlington for their annual convention, October 9-11.

Highlights of the program include an address on Our Schools and the World Crisis by Dr. James L. McConaughy at the opening session and a discussion by Dr. Allen A. Stockdale of the National Association of Manufacturers on Industry and Education in National Defense on Friday morning. Col. M. Thomas Tehou, former private secretary to Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek, and Director of the Labor Department of the Chinese government, will speak on factors relative to his country at one of the general sessions. Mack Sauer, newspaper editor, author and humorist closes the program on Saturday with a talk entitled Bunker Hill.

Departmental conferences are scheduled for teachers of elementary and secondary schools, art, physical education, vocations, agriculture, dramatics, music and home economics.

An extensive collection of textbooks, educational magazines, teaching materials, and school supplies will be exhibited by publishers and school supply houses throughout the convention.

Special entertainment features include the Festival Singers, the Dartmouth Glee Club, and group luncheons, teas and banquets.

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CONSERVATION

People have been hearing about conservation in one way or another ever since the time of Theodore Roosevelt. The most recent conservation need brought to our attention via the newspaper and the gas tank is that of conservation of gasoline.

We are apt to think of conservation movements as something large—something to read about and talk about in a general way at the dinner table. No one ever suggests that anyone, other than the big shots, do anything about it.

As students, we might switch off the lights when we are the last ones out of a room. We might even look after the books, magazines, and library materials with a little more care. (The magazines would appreciate it.) We might be more prompt in meeting our engagements.

Let's have the seams sewed so the garments will be ready, the spots removed, the leather cleaned, and whatever else needs doing. As freshmen, we hear of time budgets; as members of a consumer education group, we hear about making the most of our money. Let's apply these ideas to our work, so that we will be able to make the most of our personal interests and abilities.

Conservation is something in which each of us may have a small part. Let's make it more than something to talk about.

DECREASING ENROLLMENT

We note from the newspapers that Boston University is welcoming a larger freshman class, that Brown University has a larger in-coming class than usual, that Yale and Harvard have the largest freshman classes in their histories, but that, in spite of the size of the freshman classes, the total enrollment has decreased. Harvard has suffered a ten percent decrease on account of the selective service act and enlistments.

The enrollment at Castleton Normal School has decreased approximately twenty per cent, but I doubt that it was because of enlistments and the draft. And the draft certainly cannot be the reason for reduced numbers in the Rutland public schools.

The appeal of easy money is strong to the boy just leaving high school or with one year of study beyond. In his mind is the thought, "Why go to school? Where will it get me? Look at all these jobs—and just look at the pay!" Yes, just look at the pay. Defense work calls for some unskilled labor and pays high wages. Of course it's tempting.

What youngsters don't stop to think about is the fact that in a comparatively short time, this "boom" is going to end. Then thousands upon thousands of the unemployed will be walking the streets again in search of jobs. The great majority of them will be unskilled, unable to cope with a job which requires skill. Who will be earning steady money then and enjoying life? Who will be occupying positions of responsibility? Those who stayed in school and kept plugging for an education. They are the ones who will be prepared to exercise responsibility, and they will be fitted only because they have an education which gives them an understanding of problems and a determination to solve them.

All of us who are still in school can anticipate the day when we will have work that is steady, secure and important. We will have something bigger, something better than we have now, something in addition to a pay check.

TWO GROUPS

Two groups of students exist in every school. There is the group that works to capacity, and the group that fails to get started on time.

The students of the first group get their work done on time, read books assigned for extra work, take an active part in the organizations for which they signed, and help to promote a feeling of good will in the school.

In the second group are those who procrastinate, take no active part in the organizations they join and whose names are seldom found on the library cards. Which group do you belong to?

MISS BROWNEYES COMES TO C. N. S.

A long, gray car drove through the picturesque gates of Castleton Normal School and drew up to the entrance of Leavenworth Hall on that sunny, Sunday afternoon of September 17.

A brown-eyed Miss stepped out, accompanied by a jolly jumble of relatives and baggage. Nervously the troupe entered the building to be met by a smiling young lady who graciously showed them to the room which "Miss Browneyes" was to occupy during the coming year. Shortly a merry lass bobbed into the room and introduced herself as "your roommate." After the first necessary unpacking there was the sad farewell of parents and sisters who had to get back home. Then there was that business of getting acquainted with her roommate and neighbors.

At six o'clock the dinner bell rang and the two joined the noisy, talkative group in the lobby. After the hostesses had found their special young charges for the evening meal, the group entered the dining room for their first meal together. In the evening a very enjoyable informal sing and get acquainted period was held in the lobby.

The next few days were very busy ones. There were lectures given by the faculty members and informal discussions on things we should know about Castleton Normal. It was not all work and no play, however, as the program included an informal tea, informal parties, picnics and a tour of the campus.

During the four-day orientation period, Miss Browneyes, along with 39 other Freshmen became acquainted with the faculty and a few students and learned many things about C. N. S.

Needless to say it was a tired but happy young lady who after the final social event of the orientation period remarked to her roommate "Aren't you proud to be a member of the Castleton Family?"

HOMER II

He came unobtrusively, following a group that picnicked on Hooker's Ledge. Intrigued perhaps by the amount of food or the good disposition of the group, this cat, immediately dubbed Homer II, followed them to C. N. S.

At Castleton, apparently he found what was his desire, a nice warm bed (ask those who live in the Foyer), and regular meals which have been taken care of by Miss Hale and Miss Loudon, whom he adopted on sight.

Homer has been seen browsing in the library and trying to crash the dining room where he was promptly escorted out.

He spends his leisure walking in Friendship Garden and on the colder days napping before the fireplace in Leavenworth Hall.

As Homer has discovered the delights of downstreet, making his headquarters at Eddy's Market, perhaps we won't be seeing him as often—only at meal time when he comes to claim his saucer of milk.

WOMAN'S CLUB OBSERVES SESQUICENTENNIAL

Castleton dedicated a marker and enacted the meeting of Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold on the village green as part of Colonial Day observance, held annually by the Woman's Club of Castleton.

William T. Van Alstyne, President of the Sons of the Revolution in the United States, gave the dedicatory speech. He paid tribute to the Green Mountain boys' devotion to the service of their fellow men.

The fiery controversy between Allen and Arnold was acted anew in a play entitled "A Disputed Country." This was written by Mr. Jerome Towers and was directed by Miss Louise Ransom and Mrs. May Towers. The play included a prologue and action by the following characters: Ethan Allen, Arnold, Arnold's servant, Col. Easton, Capt. Mott, Seth Warner, Buel, Gates, Hoit, Langdon, and a Green Mountain boy. Mr. Ermo Houston wore an elaborate red costume in his role as the English general, Benedict Arnold, in contrast to the more sober colors worn by the Green Mountain boys.

Atmosphere was provided for the evening by the old time songs and ballads sung by Mrs. Frank Cain of Neward, N. J., by the bonners, pantalotts, and costumes worn by Castleton residents.

Over 300 persons inspected the home which were opened for the celebration. The proceeds are used by the Club for their civic betterment activities.

OPEN HOUSE

With signs marking their way and help of student guides, friends of Castleton Normal Schools, inspected the school plant in observance of the 75th anniversary Open House, Thursday, October 10. Guests were especially interested in the new heating plant, the remodeled kitchen and serving room and the dormitory rooms.

After inspection delicious refreshments of punch and cookies were served and a musical program went on in the gymnasium. Students who participated in the entertainment were, Eleanor Laughlin, Ann Suneson, Barbara Bon, Virginia Renahan, Elsie Williams, I. Beals and Donald Coleman.

The program for the open house was in charge of Miss Black, who acted as chairman, assisted by Mrs. He and Miss Jackson and Dr. Fox.

FACULTY COMMITTEE

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The committee is composed of Mr. K. Miss Ewald, and Mr. Arnold and members of the faculty who plan entertainment course are Miss Jackson, Miss Black, Miss Markham, and Hale. The college publicity is taken care of by Miss Black and Mr. Arnold.

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STAFF MEMBERS



ALMA MEADER

When interviewed, Alma Meader, junior editor, was found busily typing copy. She belongs to the Choir and Glee club and likes to read and knit when not otherwise occupied. "By the way," she says modestly, "I am president of the junior class."



JOSEPHINE HINCKLEY

Josephine Hinckley, junior editor, is known as president of the Athletic Association and is a member of the C. N. S. players. She is greatly interested in student participation in sports. She has a flair as a reporter of woman's sports activities also.



FRANCES STEWART

Busy Frances Stewart, editor-in-chief, may be found in the English room, keeping up a continuous rhythm on the Birdseye's new L. C. Smith typewriter. She is vice-president of the Student government at Leavenworth Hall and enjoys all kinds of sports.



HELEN HALL

Our associate editor, Helen Hall, works early and late to get the "Birdseye" to press. Her spare time finds her participating in Glee Club. Helen is also very fond of flowers and one of her favorite hobbies is collecting stamps.

SCHOOL ADDRESSES

1939

Florence Chase, South Wallingford; Paul Hatch, Middletown Springs; Hannah Hart, Gulf School, Tinnmouth; Marjorie Pitts, Hancock school.

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Elizabeth Toth, Baltimore, Vt; Dora Hager, Munson school, Wallingford; Shirley McLaughlin, Middletown; Tina Lanfear, Chippenhook; Irene Molnar, West Tinnmouth; Joyce Westcott, East Sandgate; Julia Wheelock, Lanthrop school, Pittsford; Mrs. Mabel Edgar, Beaver Meadow school, Norwich; Marjorie Ware, Hollow school, Dorset; Ethel Beattie, North Rupert; Charlotte Williams, Rupert.

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Lillian Blanchard, Rutland City Public schools; Pearl McMahon, Hortonville; Mrs. Florence B. Wright, Middletown Springs High school; Bernard Howley, Dyer school, Rutland town; Ruth Damon, Turnpike school, Norwich; Catherine Moriarty, Sunnyside school, Mendon; Fidelis Fox, Dickerman school, Pittsford; Marjorie Stone, New Boston school, Norwich; Marion Preston, North Pawlet school.

EDUCATION VIA CHAPEL

First chapel exercises featured Commissioner Ralph E. Noble and Deputy Commissioner Carl Bachelder, Friday, September 12. Mr. Noble greeted the incoming freshmen and told them and all others present that in order to present themselves fairly, they should avoid excessive shyness, be sincere, and be friendly. He also stated that the golden rule should be practiced and generosity with common sense.

Mr. Bachelder in his message compared life to the human eye. He said that some people are nearsighted or farsighted in respect to their outlooks, but that the importance lies in the ability to see all. Scholastic standing is only a part of the whole; service among teachers is of vast significance.

Mrs. Frederick B. Bridgman, an American missionary to Africa, was the first chapel speaker to be sponsored by the Senate, Saturday, September 27. Speaking on the topic "Forty-three Years in Africa," Mrs. Bridgman told of her experiences with the Zulu natives of Johannesburg. She, also, related the work of her husband, the Rev. Frederick B. Bridgman, D.D., who was known as the "bridge-man between the white and the black." Perhaps the greatest contribution of these two laborers among the natives was the establishment of a hospital for the negroes in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Mrs. Bridgman told of the economic conditions in South Africa, stressing the changing attitudes towards labor and education.

NEW OFFICERS

Boasting an aggregation of 16 members, the senior class has elected its officers for the year. Edward Fish will lead the class as its president and his co-workers are: Yohanna Karlson, vice-president, Eleanor McLaughlin, secretary and Dorothy Kerrigan, treasurer.

The Castleton board has elected Arlene Carpenter of the junior class as its editor-in-chief.

Norma Bailey has been elected president of the Rural Club to fill the vacancy left by the withdrawal from school of Jeanette Quesnel. Lyola Eagan is to be the vice-president of this organization which is under the leadership of Mr. Keech.

The Men's Union have chosen Walter Raynes as their president, Edward Curran, vice-president; Joseph Solari, secretary and Philip Kelly as the treasurer.

JUNIOR PICNIC

Loaded with everything from salt to matches, the Junior class with Miss Morrill made their way up to the ledge behind school for a class picnic, Thursday, Oct. 2.

Refreshments consisting of cheesburgers, tomatoes, potato chips, cake and coffee met the approval of everyone present.

The success of this picnic resulted in half-way planning of more picnics, a movie party and Miss Morrill's inviting the Juniors to have their next party at her home. Incidentally, all the Juniors hope that this will be real soon.

NEW DAYS—NEW WAYS

This year there have been several changes in library hours, chapel programs and the paying of club fees.

The library will be opened on schedule and the hours are posted on the door. Reserve books may be taken by students after signing for them and leaving the card in the file. Books may be reserved for three days in advance.

Chapel programs will be held twice a week, on Wednesdays and Saturdays. On Wednesday attendance will be taken and a system of seating has been arranged which makes this relatively simple. Programs on Wednesday are in charge of the faculty and are compulsory, however the Saturday program is arranged by the student senate and is not compulsory.

Club fees this year are paid at the beginning of the semester. This eliminates worry on the part of the student as to how they will be paid and on the part of the treasurers as to whether they will be paid.

NEW EQUIPMENT

C. N. S. has purchased new equipment during the summer weeks.

The library has added to its shelves approximately 400 volumes, including much American fiction and such helpful reference books as Langer's Encyclopedia of World History; Andrew's Colonial Period of American History; Seftonman, Johnson's Encyclopedia of Social Sciences; Stevenson's Home book of Quotations; the Cambridge History of English Literature; Opera Guide by Upton and Borowski; Franklin Babbitt's curriculum of Modern Education.

Many new victrola records have been purchased for the music department. These include selections from operas and symphonies.

A set of new china has been started for the dining room of Leavenworth Hall. As replacements become necessary, the new pattern will be substituted for the old.

BIRD MOUNTAIN OR BUST

That long-awaited-for and much-hoped-for Athletic Association hike to Bird Mountain occurred September 29.

"No transportation? What'll we do?"

"Did you try everybody? Yes? Mr. Parker? Mr. Parker you're a life saver!"

There was the mountain and there we were. Puff! Puff! Pretty stiff going—yet this was mild compared to some of it higher up.

"A drink, O yes let's. Tastes a little bit like dirt, but aside from that it's O. K."

This the top? Well where is it then? How much further is it. Puff! Puff! This crowd sounds like a bunch of baby steam engines. It is pretty tough going though. The top! Don't tell me. Is that Lake Bomoseen? It looks like a fish pond. Lake St. Catherine? Why, that looks like a mud puddle. Those sure are yummy-looking hot-dogs, the ones that aren't burned, I mean. Huh! didn't take long to get rid of all that stuff. Who else feels like a nap? Oh luxurious soft grass—with soft fleecy clouds to look at. Oh, Miss Ewald, it can't be time to go yet—but I guess it is.

COMMUTERS IN THE NEWS

The commuters are looking forward to a very successful year. Although there are fewer commuters this year than in previous years, their fine spirit and co-operation will make up for the number.

The new freshmen commuters are; Arietta Alexander, Marilyn Cady, Elizabeth Graziona, Nelson Williams, Rita Langdon, Joseph McCormick, Margaret Lynch, Helen Thomas, Neville Scott, and Delia Walker.

Temporary plans have been made by the commuting girls to redecorate their room, which they want to make more attractive and cozy.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The drive for membership in the State Teachers' Retirement Association is underway. The purpose of this drive will be an attempt to raise the enrollment in the Association. Only seven out of every forty-three teachers in the state are now members. The committee for the Rutland, Fair Haven District is: Miss Margaret L. O'Brien, Fair Haven, Miss Minnie Sanford, Castleton, Miss Mae Davis, Rutland-Haiti School.

BREVITIES

Picnic-goers started the year off right with a hike to Hooker's Ledge on the very first Saturday night. A picnic supper was enjoyed and some lingered to watch the sun set over Lake Bomoseen.

Students who graduated last June and have returned this year to see all the changes are: Ann Norton, Marjorie Perrin, Dolly Galbraith, Marjorie Tyler, Stanley Offensend, Donald Grace, Alex Listzwan, and Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks.

It would seem that September is the month to have birthdays. Among those to celebrate were: Betty Sargent, Jean Smith, Bud Fish on the 17th, and Hazel Beals on the 20th. Betty Sargent was honored with a dessert party, and Bud Fish was served a birthday cake in the dining room.

Another picnic of interest was enjoyed by Miss Kelly, Miss Ewald, Miss Loudon, and Miss Hale. They motored to Lake Bee Bee and cooked their supper.

Private Howard White who is stationed at the Manchester, New Hampshire Air Base in the ordnance division, visited with his mother, Mrs. Mildred White the week-end of September 20.

Miss Black and Miss Morrill recently spent a week-end in New York.

Arlene Carpenter spent the week-end of September 20 visiting her room-mate, Katherine Howard.

Other week-enders who visited friends were: Jo Karlson, who went to Cambridge, Mass., and Barbara Phillips, who went to the Dog Team Tavern in Middlebury where she worked this summer.

Miss Kelly and Miss Ewald are planning to entertain week-end guests at Miss Campbell's camp on Lake Bomoseen. Their guests include: Dr. and Mrs. Siebel from Burlington, Miss Phelan from Lyndon, Miss Buran from Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Aldrich, Derby Line.

SPORTS FOR WOMEN

As the 1941-42 season creeps upon us we find the women at C. N. S. busily engaged in making plans for a big year in the world of sports.

The freshman girls have already displayed much talent in softball. Among the softball enthusiasts we find May Badger, Aleta White, Dorothy Snow, and Margaret Willis. The freshman team is challenging any other team who think that they can offer some good strong competition.

Softball is not the only sport which we see in action. The ping pong room seems to be more popular than ever this year. Alma Meader, Joe Hinckley, Chris Pratt, Ann Suneson and many others are seen frequenting the old chapel with a new ping pong ball and paddle. Archery, hiking, tennis, badminton, deck tennis are also being enjoyed by some.

There are many opportunities offered to the girls in the field of sports here at C. N. S. There are some, however, who insist on being on the inside looking out and take no part in these sports. It is the duty of all the sport lovers to help these rocking chair lovers to cast aside the rocking chair and get out and have some real fun while the weather still permits.

There will be a manager for each and every sport. If anyone is particularly interested in any one sport they will be able to help the manager to get that sport well underway and bring their sport to the headlines.

The girls will have an excellent opportunity to participate in sports with other girls from the University of Vermont and Johnson and Lyndon Normal Schools. This will be a fine time for Castleton to display their skill and good sportsmanship. So let's all cooperate to make this play-day a grand success.

SPORTS FOR MEN

September finds the he-men of C. N. S. gathering on the campus gridiron and after two weeks of daily workouts are in fine physical condition. The interest among the men is high and new recruits are joining the squad every day.

All the co-eds stand on the fire escape of Leavenworth Hall and imagine they are on the top row in the Yale Bowl witnessing the same brand of football that brought Boston College through last season.

The freshman have developed a fine passing combination in McCormick to Mayo.

Burt Brown does the bulk of the defense work for the sophomores, while Eddie Curran displays clever footwork on the gridiron as well as on the dance floor.

Dordick is the key man for the juniors with Solari the outstanding broken field runner on the squad.

The seniors have the brain, Maynard, and the brawn, Kelly, Moriarity, Steele, and Fish.

We find the Heroes of Yesterday scattered about the country. Howley and Gibbs are building future all-star material by teaching their eighth graders the techniques of football. Bartholomew and Hart are headed for the Air Corps, while Listzwan and Grace are building planes for Pratt and Whitney, and Sparks is building tanks for American Locomotive.

C. N. S. will have practically a new basketball team this season. Eight of last years varsity squad were lost through graduation and to national defense. Among those veterans of last year still in training are Moriarity, Maynard, Steele, and Curran.

Coach Fox will look to the underclassmen for material to fill the vacancies and build up reserves. Among the new candidates will be Solari, Mayo, Williams, and Coleman.

There will be numerous interclass games throughout the winter and it is believed that the gym floor will be repaired.

AMONG THE ALUMNI

Marriages

Alene C. Hinckley, '31, to Mortimer B. Brown, June 28, 1941. They are making their home on the North road.

Beatrice Marshall, '33, to Frank Graziano, June 14, 1941. Mr. and Mrs. Graziano are remodeling the Smart house on Main street and will be at home within a few weeks.

Geraldine Gibbs, '36, to Ralph B. Hayes, '33, September 2, 1941.

Margaret Sawyer, '38, to Floyd C. Rising, May 2, 1941.

Doris Woods, '39, to Walter J. Patch, August 17, 1941. Mr. and Mrs. Patch live in Pittsford.

Hilda Green, '40, to Harold Fredette, June 21, 1941. They reside in Nashua, N. H.

Sylvia M. Fenn, '40, to Merton Nichols, July 18, 1941. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols live in Westminster.

Mildred Simpson, '40, to Leslie A. Ward, June 28, 1941. They make their home in Charlestown, N. H.

Eleanor Tift, '40, to Wesley Drake, September 1, 1941.

Mary A. Dumar to Glenn J. Houston, '41, June 16, 1941.

Christine Blood, '37, to Thomas Rice, '41.

Constance Phelps, '43, to George Sparks, '43.

Patricia Heyman, '42, to Robert Griffith, September 21. They will live at Dublin, Va.

Reunion

Five members of the class of 1891 had a reunion in Pittsford, August 12. Those present were: Edna Phalen, Pittsford, Susan W. Brown, Worcester, Mass., Mrs. Leon B. Smith, Melrose Highlands, Mass., Walter H. Smith, Mondovi, Wis., and the hostess, Mrs. G. A. Davis.

Engagement

Mrs. Madge Hamilton has announced the engagement of her sister, Beatrice J. Taylor, '34, to Rev. Parker B. Ward.

Army Service

George Young is in the radio section of the army and is a member of Co. D, 2nd Sig. Tug. Bureau at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Accident

Eva Mae Barrows, '40, part time student, was in an automobile accident at Cuttingsville, June 3. She suffered a broken arm.

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A CORDIAL WELCOME, HOME-COMERS!

Home-Comers Greeted

Home-comers, returning to renew friendships and to get the help they refused or didn't realize they needed last year are being entertained today at Castleton Normal School.

Every person who graduated last June received a letter from a member of the Junior Class urging him to come back November 1 to be entertained by the school.

A "Sip and Snack," sponsored by the Junior class and attended by the faculty, staff, Senior and Junior classes opens festivities before Chapel and gives the last year's graduates a chance to meet their friends informally. Betty Sargent, Norma Bailey and Arlene Carpenter are in charge of arrangements.

At Chapel the orchestra will make its initial appearance for the season in playing the march from "Aida." "Follow the Gleam" will be sung by the students, Eleanor McLaughlin accompanying on the violin. Other selections include a vocal solo by Donald Coleman, and movies of 1941 Commencement. The program, arranged by Carlita Phelps, will close with a selection by the orchestra.

Following Chapel Mr. Scott and Mr. Irons, Supt. of Bennington district will meet the Home-comers, seniors and juniors in a discussion on "Problems of Beginning Teachers."

Dinner will be served in Leavenworth Hall with the home-comers as guests, sitting with their Junior and Senior

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MEADOWBROOK PUPILS SHOW INGENUITY

Balancing the budget is no trick for pupils at Meadowbrook School. They earn a part of their money, do their own marketing, and prepare hot lunches for themselves. They earned their money by having a show with admission charges of five cents for grown-ups and three cents for children, home-made fudge at one cent a square and the school paper at one cent a copy. This netted the amount of one dollar and seventy-five cents.

A shopping trip resulted in the purchase of a can of paint to brighten up some furniture, two packages of jello, and two cans of corn for lunch. Three books and a ball to add fun to the noon hour were also on the shopping list.

More money will be earned by the boys and girls, the P. T. A. will make contributions and the children hope to get some supplies from the surplus commodities to provide their hot lunches through the winter.

Anticipating the lunch periods, they are making tea towels and aprons which they will put to use in the near future.



PLAY FOR ALL

PARENTS TO BE HONORED DURING EDUCATION WEEK

Parents are to be in the limelight at C. N. S., Saturday, Nov. 15. Invitations will be mailed to all parents to visit classes and make a tour of the college buildings and grounds. The Senate will offer a special program at chapel for the entertainment of both parents and students. It is the first time such an invitation has been issued and it is hoped that a generous response will be shown.

Education Week is to be ushered in Sunday, November 8, by the ministers of the neighboring communities who will be asked to speak on the topic "Seeking World Order." Radio Programs will be sponsored daily throughout the week by WSYB, Rutland at 5:30 P. M. Speakers featured on these programs will be Dr. Edwin W. Davis of the State Department of Education, Principal Ermo H. Scott, Mr. Jerome Arnold, and Dr. Richard Fox of the Castleton Normal School faculty.

"Education for a Strong America" is the general theme for the week. It is planned that this be interpreted through discussion of the following topics: Building Physical Fitness, Strengthening National Morale, Improving Economic Well-being, Safeguarding School Support, Learning the Ways of Democracy, and Enriching Family Life.

The American Legion deserves credit for the initiation of American Education Week. The purpose is to acquaint people with the needs, aims, and achievements of their schools.

BOSTON CONFERENCE DRAWS STUDENTS

"Defending Democratic America by Defending Democratic Education" is the theme of the New England Teacher Preparation Conference at Boston, November 14 and 15.

Student representatives from Castleton Normal School are Glenn Maynard, Betty Sargent, Eileen Eaton, and Perry Mayo. Faculty representatives are Principal Scott, Misses Ewald and Kelly. Mr. Maynard has been invited to serve as chairman of the student group discussing student participation in policies of administration and class room proceedings.

Miss Ruth A. Haas, Dean of the Danbury Conn. State Teacher's College, is the General Chairman of the student meetings which include four discussion groups relating to the theme of the conference. The topics assigned are: Government Associations, Athletic Associations, Forensic Activities, and College Publicity.

The program for the two days is as follows. Friday at 2:00 o'clock student section conferences begin followed by a general meeting at 4 o'clock, when the student groups come together for a summary of the discussions presented by their secretaries. A student-faculty banquet followed by dancing will be held at 6 o'clock. Saturday morning at 9 o'clock a sight seeing trip to points of historic interest in and around Boston is planned. At the same hour there will be a faculty conference to discuss the subject Internship, The Focal Point In Teacher Preparation.

Play Day Inaugurated

Lyndon Normal School, Johnson Normal School and the University of Vermont Elementary Education Department sent twelve representatives each to Castleton Normal School October 25, for the first of several Play Days to be sponsored by the teacher preparation schools of the state.

After registration the twelve students and faculty members from each of the schools met in the auditorium for a short welcome by Principal Ermo H. Scott and an explanation of the day's program by Josephine Hinckley, President of the Castleton Athletic Association. Mrs. Alice Coult Aldrich, State Director of Physical Education and Health and Miss Edith Ewald, physical education director at Castleton were introduced to the visiting students. Following dinner in Leavenworth Hall, the enthusiastic visitors met at the gymnasium and were divided into eight color teams. From two o'clock until three-thirty the eight teams played darts, badminton, table tennis, mass deck tennis, hit-pin baseball and shuttle-run ball. Each game lasted twenty to thirty minutes. At three-thirty each student chose an elective sport which he played until five o'clock. These included tennis, archery, table tennis, badminton, volley ball and softball.

At 7:30 an informal party, of play, rhythm, and song, was held in the auditorium. The game, "musical package" started the party. Then came a relay race of balloons. Folk dances, square and round dances followed. Captain Jinks, Pop Goes the Weasel, Seven Jumps, Nixiepolka, Norwegian Mountain March, and Come Let Us be Joyful illustrated different types of folk dances. A Dutch Dance in costume by Jane Bueche and Marion Levarne was very colorful and received an enthusiastic encore.

Group singing of "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless America" ended the program for the day.

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HOW BOARD OF EDUCATION FUNCTIONS IS EXPLAINED TO STUDENTS

"Be tactful, go slow, never stop trying" was the message given to prospective teachers by Mr. John R. Fisher, chairman of the State Board of Education, at Chapel Wednesday, October 22.

Mr. Fisher outlined the history of education in Vermont and gave the structure of the educational set-up today. He explained the work of the State Board of Education and defined the teacher's part in respect to the educational set-up.

He emphasized the virtue of patience and the necessity for perseverance as the means of success.

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ENTHUSIASM

A lad named Enthusiasm entered C. N. S. as a freshman. That year he had all his work done on time (with extra work added now and then); participated in a large number of various activities; attended all functions of the school, and was always ready to contribute his share to the successful working of the school program.

As a sophomore he began to feel himself overloaded both with work and responsibility. This year he decided to "let the other fellow do it"; to enter into activities once in a while to show he thought them worthwhile; and to accept only the responsibilities that seemed to be necessary and important to his own growth.

When his junior year began, Enthusiasm determined he would concentrate on getting the most out of his studies that he could, because after all, he was going to be a teacher and he wanted to bring to his pupils his best. Oh yes, he realized activities had their place in school life and that school functions were only functions when the whole school stood behind them and he would like to participate, but this other drive was stronger and didn't seem to allow time for "extra-curricular" activities.

During Enthusiasm's senior year he did work on some committees, attended parties and sat on the sidelines, but his avowed aim completely absorbed his mind.

After Enthusiasm was graduated and out in his one-room rural school, he got letters concerning the Alumni Association and Home-Coming Day, and he noted down dates of meetings, but somehow something always came up and he never did return to his Alma Mater. It really was a shame because he fully intended to—but things always do come up . . .

This "allegory" may be rather exaggerated, but still we do seem to lose our enthusiasm as the years come and go. Is it because "old age" creeps on us unawares? Is it because we put too much emphasis on getting an "A" in this course or that course? Or is it because we allow ourselves to fall into the proverbial rut and can't afford the energy to pull ourselves out again?

Surely we owe it to ourselves, to our school, to our future pupils, and even to our State, to have enough enthusiasm so that all desirable activities work together to make education lead the way to health, happiness, and successful accomplishment.

TEACHER'S SALARY SITUATION

Commissioner of Education, Ralph E. Noble says that comparatively soon there will be danger of a shortage of trained teachers in Vermont unless salaries are raised to approximate those paid teachers in other states and workers in similar fields. Statistics show that thirty-three states pay their teachers better than Vermont does. How much better other states pay is made evident by the difference in the average salary in Vermont and that in the United States as a whole. The average in the country as a whole is one thousand three hundred and seventy-four dollars per year while Vermont pays an average of nine hundred fifty-two dollars per year.

It seems logical, says Mr. Noble, that few high school graduates would want to pay six or seven hundred dollars for two years of normal school education in preparation for work which will allow seventeen or eighteen dollars a week, when they can get work paying twenty dollars a week with just a high school education.

One argument advanced against higher salaries is that few teachers consider their profession seriously, but marry at the first good opportunity. On the other hand if salaries were such that teachers could make a satisfactory living, they would be willing and eager to make teaching their life-work and would not easily give it up for some better-paying occupation. In many states marriage does not interfere with a teaching career.

PRIN. SCOTT'S MESSAGE
TO HOME-COMERS

Dear Alumni Home-Comers:

Traditionally, Home-Coming Day at Castleton is set apart for the stimulation of professional interests and the renewal of personal relationships. Year after year, beginning teachers have looked forward to this conference as an opportunity for halting daily routines and sitting down together to re-establish a perspective on their respective positions.

You have begun to move in upon the responsibilities of an undertaking which is peculiarly yours alone. You have already discovered that pre-professional experience furnishes you with an understanding of only a partial list of your daily problems. Perhaps, you are experiencing some discouragement and feel disillusioned in many ways. Home-Coming Day can be highly significant if, with your particular problems fresh in mind, you take the opportunities which are offered today to collect as many suggestions and answers as possible to take back with you for application on the home job.

To admit that alone you are unable to develop workable solutions is not the mark of an inadequate teacher. It is, rather, characteristic of one who is seeking to grow. It stamps one who wishes to employ all helps available to the end that her children may profit from the best and enjoy the highest type of experiences possible. Your responsibility is to become an industrious and conscientious seeker after best ways and means. As a teacher you determine in large measure the ultimate success of your young learners.

Your college is as vitally interested in your personal success now as it was concerned with your undergraduate progress. It wishes to place its services at your disposal. Together, I believe that we can meet and resolve those perplexing situations out there in your service.

May I welcome you to the program of this Day. May I invite your personal participation in the entire series of events that the day may be profitable and enjoyable to you. May it be a marker in our work together for the accomplishment of those great objectives for which all teachers-in-service are striving.

Cordially yours,

Ermo Houston Scott, Principal

NO CHANCE FOR
OLD MAN WINTER

To warm the students of Castleton Normal School, a winter's supply of 350 tons of rice anthracite coal has been unloaded at the rear of the Chapel building, during the past few days. This allows the school 56 1/3 tons a month for six months.

Purchasing such a huge supply was, no doubt, partly due to the economy of placing a single large order, and the event of possible national emergencies, such as strikes at the Pennsylvania Mines, shipping delays, or large government orders causing a temporary shortage or long waiting.

These heaps of coal behind the Chapel Classrooms are of a coarse gravel-like grade of coal called rice anthracite, and

SENIOR SOIREE
SATISFIES ALL

Dear Barb,

Just wait'll I tell you about the Senior dance! It was Saturday night. Jiminy Crickets! You should have been here. Me—I was a dream in pink net. Do I love me! My corsage was lovely, Barb. I don't know what kind of flowers they were but they matched my gown beautifully. The corsage was quite long—the latest style—loveliest one I have ever had. Maybe that's because it was from him.

Fran's dress was sweet. You remember Fran, don't you? "The cute little one?" Anyway, her dress had a coral skirt of taffeta, and a black velvet top with little gold things that looked like nail-heads around the neck and sleeves. She could have worn it off-the-shoulder but she didn't like it that way. She wore a flower bracelet rather than a shoulder corsage of little white pom-poms.

One girl wore a rather striking gown—for Castleton. It was cerise and lavender with little thin shoulder straps and a full, full skirt. Glamour! She came with Jimmy Steele.

Bud Fish, Glen Maynard, and Ed Curran were in tuxedos. They looked wonderful—so good in fact, that they would have done credit at Harvard or Princeton.

Bud, Glen, Miss Kelly, Miss Campbell, the Scotts and the Foxes were in the receiving line. You guessed it—Stewie and I sat on the sidelines half the evening. We just loved that.

Ianni's orchestra made the music. There were a couple of awfully good dancers and then, as usual, there were some who were fair enough.

Nobody knows what the theme was. The Seniors called it their "Scarlet Soiree." Everything was red. There were huge red cellophane fans on the auditorium walls, but it wasn't a fandance. On the stage there were a couple of the most modernistic trees you ever saw—I guess they were trees anyway—with red balloons hanging from the branches.

The refreshments were cookies and punch. The punch was a little strong due to the fact that the ice was lost in transit. Mr. Arnold remarked that the recipe must have been changed. The cookies were all monogrammed with "S" in red frosting which the Seniors said stood for Seniors. Mr. Scott insisted that it meant Scott. You can have your choice—they aren't synonymous.

There were lots of alumni back—Al Dauphin and Bobby Clark, Stan Offensend and Visie Perry, Al Royce and Betsy Sedergren, Lawrence Ward, and Gladys Trombley, Bob Lorette and Bette Howley, and heaps of others that I didn't know.

It was a howling success. To quote Miss Kelly, "It set a high standard for the rest of us." But we'll meet it in '44.

Love,
Sis.

it is this that has been rattling noisily down the chute unloaded by a 6—expedito, labor saving apparatus which places the coal where it can be readily used by our new heating plant.

AT THE AUCTION

Starting out alone I was like a stone gathering moss for I gathered five other girls in my merry way to the local auction. Each determined to see exactly how a country auction was conducted, we started edging our way up to the front. With a few pardons and flirtatious smiles we found ourselves right where we wanted to be—in the front of the auctioneer. Then the fun began. First grandma's old rocker was put up. The enormous sum of twenty five cents started the race. "Is that all I'm offered, how about fifty cents? Do I hear fifty cents? Ah, yes! the little woman down front just paid that, but wait—she is topped by a ninety cent bid. So here it goes to Farmer Bill." We felt mighty glad that old grandma wasn't there to see her treasured chair go, for many a mile she must have rocked in it. Right behind the chair but without the new owner's knowledge of its antique origin went the bed that grandpa died on.

Old and odd bottles sneaked their way into the crowd and I must also say that a brown jug and some of other colors discovered they were gazing upon new faces. But we weren't satisfied to merely see the queer articles, we just had to look where they came from. So again we wiggled our way among the crowd. Once outside we ran pell mell around to the back door. A sign saying "Enter at Own Risk" meant little to us so we clamoured up the rickety stairs. Room after room was visited and lastly we decided to peek into the attic. Preceding the others I carefully picked my way up the old broken-down steps. Then came a dreadful disappointment—the treasured room was dark and empty. We tumbled down and a great jumble of voices drew us to the front door. Looking out we saw two very determined bidders racing for the same chair. A near calamity happened. The new mistress had informed the previous owner that she wanted a certain chair. Obliging fellow that he was, he went into the crowd and starting bidding. So did she. We are still in the dark as to who actually won out. With three minutes to get to class, we debated whether to go or stay for we felt the auction was an education in itself. But we ran "lickety-split" satisfied with what we had already learned.

SOPHOMORES APPLY
ACTIVITY LEARNING

Reading Readiness loomed large to the Sophomore Class as evidenced by the display of teaching materials in the Education room. Large numbers of picture dictionaries of all types were represented. Color charts to aid the children in learning the primary colors were exhibited. These varied from the use of squares or oblong blocks of the colored paper to the use of pictures cut from paper of the primary colors.

To add interest and to show what could be accomplished with a little inexpensive material, library corners were set up. Perhaps the object of greatest interest was the talking movie machine. The pictures used were the animals of the farm.

These projects are the first done in the course in Child and Curriculum by the Reading Readiness group.

FORECAST FOR MOVIES

Principal Ermo Houston Scott states that there has long been a need for visual material for use as educational purposes and that such a device would be highly valuable not only as a class activity but also as a means for social programs. At present Mr. Keech and Mr. Arnold are studying various machines in connection with the purchasing of a sound moving picture machine in the near future.

Mr. Franzoni, from the Wilson Clothing Co. in Rutland, as a representative of the Victor and Animatophone Corporation gave a demonstration movie in the auditorium Thursday October 23. Demonstrations of other machines have been planned before selection is made.

It is hoped that a program consisting of one full-length feature plus two shorts lasting approximately two hours can be conveniently arranged and financed at a low price. This program is planned to include not only the faculty and students of the school but also the children in the demonstration schools.

A machine of this kind would contribute greatly to the classroom program bringing material to students which would otherwise be impossible. In addition it would provide better music for parties through use of the loud speaker and turntable while a more effective system for public address would also be available.

GIVE AND TAKE

For original ideas on nearly any subject, your exchange manager on the *Birdseye* recommends reading exchange papers from other teacher's colleges. They are full of helpful suggestions on parties, lectures, athletics, and general socializing.

Boston University News, of October 14, 1941, would delight those who advocate informality in a newspaper. To set a mood of college lightness, the front page has, along with important happenings of the day, a few amusing incidents bearing directly on college life at the present season.

Excellent suggestions for an open house program may be found on the front of the April 25th issue of *The Record* from the State Teacher's College at Buffalo. Perhaps students would be interested in comparing the procedure at C. N. S. with this account. Another interesting thing to note about this paper is the use of captions which balance each side of the title of the newspaper.

Campus Comment of March 14 from Bridgewater Massachusetts State Teacher's College is full of very clever headings which are worthwhile to note. The arrangement of this paper is quite similar to the arrangement of the *Birdseye*.

With play-day atmosphere fairly recent, students will enjoy reading an account in the May 16 issue of *The Recorder* from the Teacher's College at New Britain, Connecticut. Students of the Sophomore English class will be interested in the poetry in the May 29 issue of the same paper.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

The Sophomore classes in children's literature have assumed responsibility for bringing Children's Book Week to C. N. S. Students.

Alice Leamy and Marjorie Dickinson are co-chairmen with Eleanor Fairbanks, Veronica Fish, Anna Lenoci, Walter Raines, and Kathleen Ryan as members of the planning committee.

November 2 to 8 is the date for observance. On every classroom bulletin board will be found material relating to children's books. A small but carefully selected exhibit of children's books related to the subject matter taught in the room will be arranged in various class rooms.

A Book Fair will be shown in the library where each day a literary character will come to life.

Bright, interesting posters advertising new books for boys and girls will be in evidence. Children from the demonstration schools will be invited to share the celebration. Lists of new books for children of different age levels will be given the guests Home-Coming Day.

A colorful Chapel program during Education Week will show the relationship between books and education.

BIRDSEYE DINER
CHANGES HANDS

"Lone dog loose," "Adam and Eve on a raft" are the same old familiar orders; the smiling waitress is ready to give quick and excellent service, and the same tasty food is available, but yet there is something missing.

Oh yes! Where is George? He has sold the Diner, you know, and it is rumored that he is going in the army. The missing person with the shining countenance, gracious personality and quick wit is none other than the former owner and manager, George Looker. Through his charming manner George has won for himself a warm place in the hearts of many, and on his departure leaves behind him a host of friends.

Now the students of Castleton Normal School are greeted with the cheery "hello" of George's successor, Mr. James Rollis. Although rather reserved and sedate, his pleasantness will win friends for him. Mr. Rollis deserves success and prosperity. Many happy hours with delicious food and excellent service await the students of Castleton Normal School at the Birdseye Diner.

With Home Coming to look forward to, committee members for C. N. S. home-coming day will find some very good suggestions in the October 17 issue of the *College Heights Herald* from the Western Kentucky State Teacher's college of Bowling Green, Kentucky.

These are only a few of the interesting articles in the exchange papers. Students will find them a storehouse of new ideas which will be worthy additions to our college paper.

These papers may be found on the Birdseye bulletin board and all students have a standing invitation to come in and read them at any time.

THE MAPLES SPEAK

For too long a time I have been standing here alone, my rooms dark and silent, but soon all will be bright and gay. My rooms will be bright and gay and filled with the sound of laughter and footsteps. In 1837, when I was built, fireplaces furnished heat for homes and Dutch ovens took care of the baking. Ornate moldings and ceilings were in style and I received my share. Brick was a much used building material and I liked being a red brick house without paint, but someone played a trick on me and painted me the dull gray color you now see me wear.

Today something wonderful has happened to me. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown liked me and wanted me for their own. They bought me and are going to make me over so I'll be like my old happy self. Off will come the 140 foot ell at my back and will be replaced by a smaller one containing a kitchen, bath, dinette, and maid's room above. I will not have a huge porch, but a much smaller one. The small stoop I used to have is now on the house where Mr. Keech lives. I can't have it back, but I'll have another almost like it. All my rooms will be redecorated. The hall floors will be sanded and shellacked and my lovely curving staircase will march proudly again to the bedrooms with their bright scatter rugs on painted floors. I overheard Mrs. Brown say that she was having difficulty in selecting just the right furniture and wall paper for all my rooms, but I know the Browns will solve all my problems. I do hope they will be able to remove the paint from my bricks, but sand-blasting is a very expensive process, so I may have to wait for that. If the paint on me does not weather in a reasonable length of time, perhaps they will paint me white.

It will be nice to be a family home again, and like Rebecca "to belong."

CHAPEL COMMITTEES
SHOW GOOD PLANNING

Variety is the keynote for chapel programs for the current year.

Mr. Frank O. Stiles, superintendent of schools in Rutland County, spoke on "School Standards" at chapel Wednesday October 15. Mr. Stiles is the first superintendent to speak here this year, but it is planned to have several others later.

The student senate programs have been equally interesting this semester. Saturday, October 11, an preview of possible programs was given. The committee in charge of the first senate program was Alma Meader, chairman, Francis Moriarity, and Leonard Dordick. Miss Markham led a program of singing Saturday October 18.

Both the program committee and the senate committee have promised interesting numbers in the future.

BREVITIES

Happy birthday to Ann Suneson and Mr. Hewitt! They both celebrated their birthday on October 30.

Eleanor Ward's sister, Anita of Rutland visited at Phillips house, October 11.

Many students grasped the opportunity to feast at the local chicken pie supper October 15. All appetites, no matter how large, were thoroughly pleased with the menu.

Josephine Hinckley visited in Albany October 11 and 12. While there Jo saw the Andrews sisters of radio and movie fame in person.

Marion Plumb, Springfield, Irene Flindt, Tunbridge and Theodore Whalen, Hardwick, have joined the freshman class.

Many old familiar faces returned to C. N. S. for the senior dance October 18. Among the alumni present were Viola Perry, Stanley Offensend, Barbara Clark, Al Dauphin, Elva Martineau, Marjorie Perrin, Wendell Bartholomew, Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks, Betty Heffernan, Don Grace, Bob Lorette, Bette Howley, Gladys Trombly, Lawrence Ward, Betsy Sedengren, Al Royce, Alice Hamilton, Olive Rumney, and Norma Rowell.

May Badger spent the week-end of October 11 in Worcester, Mass.

Phyllis Amidon and Olive Rumney returned to school for the week-end following teacher's convention. Both report favorably of their work.

Over the week-end of teachers' convention Therese Cheney visited Barbara Bouvier in Bristol, and Frances Naatz entertained Kay Howard at her home in St. Johnsbury.

Leavenworth Hall is slowly assembling the makings of a menagerie. A canary and two goldfish have already established residence there. For further details see Betty Moran or Josephine Hinckley.

'Tis rumored that the next addition will be three puppies, who will share the barn at Phillips House with Miss Jackson's horse, Tony.

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Hats off to our activities chairman, Ruth Squiers, who opened the sports program for Play Day with a bang. Our gals showed plenty of enthusiasm and put lots of pep into the game of human croquet. Their skill at hit-pin baseball shows what Castleton's fair maids can do.

U. V. M. won the badminton tournament, though Castleton furnished one of the runners-up. Sh-Sh—boys and girls should help each other.

"Stewie" did a good job directing volley-ball as did Eleanor McLaughlin with softball and Ferol Keech with tennis.

The Sophomores have rolled up their sleeves, spit on their hands and are determined to "know their stuff" such as stunts, organization game and relays so as to be "right in the groove" when student teaching rolls around.

Come on girls! Why don't we have some speedy basketball this fall and play other schools such as Green Mountain Junior College. With veteran players such as Jo Hinckley, Barb Bouvier, Clare Benjamin, Ruth Squiers, Kay Howard and Betty Sargent we've a good chance to win, to say nothing of the fun of going here and there to play.

Our freshman lassies will not be outdone in an effort to acquire that certain something in physical skill and can be seen gaily dancing folk dances from class to class.

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SPORTS FOR MEN

C. N. S. basketball season will get under way November 15 when the Plymouth, New Hampshire boys will travel to Castleton to take on our team. Plymouth has come out on top in four of the past six meetings of the two teams.

Castleton will play a return game at Plymouth November 22.

Games are being scheduled with Danbury Connecticut State Teacher College and with Castleton alumni.

Lyndon Normal will be unable to send a team into the basketball circle this season due to decrease in male enrollment at the school.

Practice began October 21 with a fair-sized squad turning out. Those reporting for practice were Moriarity, Maynard, Steele, and Curran, veterans of last year, plus Solari, Coleman, Whalen, Williams, and McCormick. Perry Mayo of Putney, who is an experienced player and a leading candidate for guard position, has been discharged from the infirmary and will be out to practice next week.

Ping-pong has been revived with Joe Solari taking top honors. Those who have fallen before Joe's mighty drives and clever serves are Walt Raines, Mayo, Brown, Williams, Moriarity, Whalen, and McCormick.

Freshman I softball team reports it is undefeated. It claims victories over Freshmen II, Sophomores, and Juniors.

There has been little activity on the tennis courts due chiefly to the need for repair work out there.

PLAY DAY INAUGURATED

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Johnson and Lyndon students stayed over until Sunday morning.

Play Day was under the general direction of the Athletic Association Council and the following student faculty committee: Hospitality, Paulina Howard and Miss Hale; Publicity, Rhoda Pratt and Mr. Keech; Activities, Ruth Squiers and Mr. Arnold; Entertainment, Kay Howard and Miss Markham; and the Party, Ann Suneson and Miss Jackson.

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AMONG THE ALUMNI

Mary Gaudette, '43, was married to Lester Parker, July 11, 1941.

Mrs. Dorothy Phillips, '42 and Judy were recent guests at Glenbrook. Mrs. Phillips is teaching at the Barstow School in Chittenden.

Frances Benton, '43 has returned to her school after undergoing an operation for appendicitis at the Rockingham Hospital.

Joseph Sanders, '39, Alfred Henebry, '40, Bernard Odell, '40 and Stanley Offensend, '41, are among those employed at the Jones and Lamson Machine Shop in Springfield. Charles Prunier, '39 is employed at Hartford, Conn.

Rachel Hinckley, '37 is teaching in the Mansfield Teachers' College, Mansfield, Penna.

Norma Howard, '43 visited friends at Leavenworth Hall last Wednesday.

Mary Farynarz, Florence Ryan, Mary O'Neil, Veronica Brough, and Florence Moriarity motored through Canada the week-end of October 5.

A son, Ronald Albert, was born June 6, 1941 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Pockette of Fair Haven. Mrs. Pockette was Corrine Towne, '37.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Jones of Springfield, Vt. Mrs. Jones was Rhoda Lyons, '40.

HOME-COMERS GREETED

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Classmates. Dining room arrangements are under the direction of Frances Naatz, Gertrude Wheeler, Josephine Hinckley and Mary Dervin.

At 1:30 Dean Morrill, the state helping teacher, Miss Jennie Allingham and Mrs. Margaret Kelly will meet the young teachers in an "air your troubles" conference. At this time there will be opportunity for questions, suggestions, and exchange of opinion on all problems which have confronted the initiates in their eight weeks of work on their own.

Miss Morrill, Miss Black and Mrs. Hewitt comprise the faculty committee with Miss Morrill chairman. Working with this committee is Katherine Howard, general chairman for students.

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Chinese Leader Champions Peace

Col. Thomas Tehou inspired a large audience in the auditorium of the Castleton Normal School with his talk on "World Citizenship" Thursday evening, November 20. Col. Chou was for many years secretary to Gen. Chiang-Kai-Shek and was, for three years, the head of the Chinese Labor Department. He also represented China at the League of Nations in Geneva.

He emphasized the need for nations to be interdependent if they would progress. To prove his point, he described the China of the last century and the old isolationist policy, the smugness and the self-sufficiency of China. He sketched briefly the theories of the old Chinese philosophers and explained how the present theory of pacifism grew from them.

In connection with the Sino-Japanese war, Col. Tehou described Gen. Chiang-Kai-Shek and his close adherence to the Golden Rule. China has steadfastly refused to bomb civilians in Japan. The horrors of the war and the suffering of the Chinese were described but Col. Tehou believes positively that Japan is further from victory today than ever before because of the high morale of the Chinese people, both soldiers and civilians. This morale is due to the New Life Movement which has been spread so effectively. Col. Tehou told in detail of the four principles which the Movement emphasizes for civilian practice and explained the ten points which are stressed in the voluntary Christian organization among the cadets. All civilians are urged to practice in their daily living four virtues. They are culture, justice, fortitude and honor. The cadets in military schools have been subscribing voluntarily to the ten point pledge until it has become accepted as their code of ethics. The ten points include no love of money, no fear of death, no showing off, no incivility, no smoking, drinking, or gambling, no immorality, no lying, and no lending or borrowing.

Col. Tehou closed with the assertion that "we do not deserve peace because we have done nothing to obtain it" and made a strong plea that everyone do his utmost to gain a world peace that will make war impossible.

Scientists Discuss Student Outcomes

"What should be the outcomes that will function in the lives of students who have completed a 12-year science program in the public schools?" was the theme of the eighteenth conference, the Education of Teachers in Science, Teachers' College, New York City, November 7-8. Mr. James A. Keech represented the Department of Science of Vermont at the conference.

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PHILLIP'S HOUSE GIRLS AND THEIR PARENTS

At the inauguration of Parents' Day of the Castleton Normal School, Saturday, November 15, Phillip's House was well represented with 5 of the 15 girls entertaining their parents for the day's program.

As the camera caught them, they are: Front, Gertrude Wheeler, Carlita Phelps; Second row, Mrs. Benjamin, Clarice Benjamin, Annell McCann, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Phelps; Third row, Mrs. Lourie, Elsie Lourie, Mr. Lourie.

I. R. C. Delegates Attend Conference

The annual New England International Relations Club Conference was held Friday and Saturday, November 14 and 15, at Smith College, Northampton, Mass. Castleton was loyally represented by Francis Moriarity and Burton Brown.

The conference was divided into four round table discussions the theme of which were "Europe and the Future," "The Western Hemisphere," "Problems of the Orient" and "The United States In A World At War." There were three meetings of each of these groups during the conference. Each group had a student chairman and a discussion leader, with all delegates having a chance to participate in the discussion.

One of the highlights of the conference was the banquet which was held at the Hotel Northampton, Friday evening. The guest speaker was Prof. R. A. MacKay of Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, whose topic was "Canada and Hemisphere Defense." Mr. MacKay advocated more United States material aid to Britain. Following the banquet an informal dance was held at the college crew house.

At the final session of the round tables Saturday morning the conference concluded that there should be a world federation for nations after this war and that the United States should help enforce the peace and supply food to the devastated

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Birdeye Represented At Conference

Editor-in-Chief Frances Stewart, Alma Meader, and Mr. Arnold of the faculty attended the annual conference of 250 High School editors and staff members which was held Saturday at the University of Vermont.

Governor Wills gave the following message to the delegates: "You are the ones who have this topsy-turvy world to straighten out. You are the people who have the world problem to face and solve because we of the older generation won't live long enough. Your work in journalism is important and will become more so."

Other speakers of the program offered to delegates included President John Schoff Millis of U. V. M. who spoke on the opportunities for activity in the field of the written word which he said offers many opportunities to us today.

Markets and the demand of magazines for different types of Short Story articles were topics discussed by Furton Blasingame of New York magazine writers agent. Allene S. Corliss, a short story writer from St. Albans, spoke on the construction of a short story.

Professor Raymond A. Hall of the English department at the University discussed biography as a literary form containing elements of history and sociology that can be used to meet the needs of school papers.

Walter D. Hickey, sports writer for
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Freshmen Sponsor High School Seniors

High School Seniors are being entertained by the faculty and students of Castleton Normal School. Today, December 5, the school is open to all high school seniors who were chosen to represent their schools and investigate possibilities of attending C. N. S. in the future.

Each visitor is identified by a tag with his name on it, and Castleton freshmen are also wearing identification tags.

The program for the morning includes visits to the classes and meetings with faculty members. At noon the high school seniors will have dinner in the dining room as guests of their freshmen sponsors. In the afternoon games will be played at the gym. At 3:30 there will be a tea for the visitors and faculty in the lobby of Leavenworth Hall. To climax the day a tour of the campus will be conducted. At this time Glenbrook and the "Campus proper" will be inspected.

The plans for High School day were arranged by the freshman class. The committee in charge is Shirley Martin, chairman; May Badger, hospitality; Rhoda Curran, dining room arrangements; Aleta White, games; Pauline Easton and Marguerite Blakeslee, tea; and Theodore Whalen and Perry Mayo, tour of the Campus.

C. N. S. Plays Conn. Team

The true Castleton spirit was demonstrated in last Tuesday's basketball game with the Danbury, Conn. Teachers' College team at Danbury.

The local team of five men met the opposing force of Danbury's eighteen men with spirit, determination, and gallant effort. The Castleton zone defense held well, but Danbury's long shots pulled the score 42 to 31 in their favor.

Student Delegates Report Boston Conf.

Representatives to New England Teachers' Preparation Conference report conclusions reached by prospective teachers.

Students can and should participate in civilian defense programs by seeking to understand the real purpose and nature of government and by learning to examine high pressure groups before joining them.

Students can and should participate with members of the community in studying problems confronting the nation today.

Weekly forums, councils, off-campus trips, and cooperative dormitories offer practical means of helping students learn the principals of democracy through actual experience.

Democratic practice in schools involves faculty toleration of and respect for student opinion and student recognition and appreciation of faculty wisdom.

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ADVERTISING AND EDUCATION

Advertising is powerful. This is proved through the use business makes of it. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating." Look in any newspaper or magazine. Is it not largely filled with advertisements? Have you not noticed the variety of businesses advertised, all the way from lipstick to concrete blocks? Appeals are made to personal allure, pride, and glory. Would it not be well for education to use this medium for its advancement?

Education is not only for the few who happen to enjoy the advantage of a father or mother at home in the educational world. Concern and not just a mild interest should be shown by everyone.

Too few people realize the advantages, satisfactions, and security to themselves of an adequate education. Schools are advertised in such a stilted way, usually in a special and not very prominent section of the periodical. Few people turn to the list of schools and the courses offered. Color, glamour, and appeal need to be added. Should not education be made more popular through advertising in the methods which business finds effective?

Certainly no field of human endeavor is of more vital importance. Realization of the everyday activities in schools should be of interest to parents, friends, the public. It can be made so.

How can we as students of education help to make this business, the largest in the country, more desirable, and more appealing to the most promising boys and girls of our acquaintance? Have we a responsibility for doing so?

We can talk about the challenge of teaching. We can talk about the reward from associating with young people. We can talk about the satisfaction of associating with a group of cultured and cultivated people.

PLAN FOR PEACE

There are times when the theories and ideals which we live by have to be laid aside while society dominates our actions. This is one of the times. Since the close of the first World War, schools, churches, organizations, and individuals have been educating the people for peace. Young people have participated in International Conferences, correspondences and in World Jambourees of Scouts and there has developed a real feeling of friendship. We began to feel that we lived in an adult world which had outgrown war.

Today we have arrived at a time where this movement for peaceful thinking will have to be subordinated for something active and objective. Men will have to fight without hate but with a sincere belief in perpetuating a peaceful way of life before that peace is ours. Many fine young people are questioning if they can do this.

Most Americans will not need the propaganda to urge them on which will be given out if we enter war if they have put before them a practicable plan for a permanent peace.

PRIN. SCOTT'S MESSAGE
TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Dear High School Guests:

Castleton's faculty and student bodies welcome the privilege of entertaining you as representatives of your respective schools on this Annual High School Senior Day. We appreciate the opportunity to present to you an experience in teacher-college life and its purposes and program as related to the profession for which this institution is preparing members.

In these days there are many professional and occupational avenues open to seriously minded young people. Some offer unusual and immediate financial returns for a limited time. Others provide substantial rewards in earnings, security and position over a longer period. Teaching falls into the second classification. A teacher can achieve security, reasonable and regular advancement, adequate compensation and enviable social position in direct proportion to time spent on sound preparation and conscientious professional effort. For one interested in experiencing a full and satisfactory life, teaching promises adventure and challenging opportunities.

However, it requires strength of its members—strength of mind, character and application. No weakling can teach well. Teaching demands and is worthy of the best which can be offered, for into the hands of the teachers is placed the future of Vermont's children.

Use this opportunity to get acquainted with the college and with the requirements of professional teacher-education. Call upon us later if we can be of assistance in your decision of vocation or profession. Above all, make many inquiries. Reach your final decision wisely. Do not be overly influenced by the opinions of others.

We are glad that you are with us. May this day be one of mutual profit.

Cordially yours,

Ermo Houston Scott,
Principal.

STUDENTS ATTEND "THE
MARRIAGE OF FIGARO"

Cooperating with the school, the Community Concert Association made it possible for students, who so wished, to enjoy the first number of its season in Rutland, Sunday, November 23. The Nine O'clock Opera Company presented Mozart's comic opera, THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO, in English. Staging and narration was under the direction of David Otto, who explained their use of Thornton Wilder's OUR TOWN technique of production. The cast included: Figaro—John Tyers, Susanna—Helen Van Loon, Cherubino—Vera Weikel, The Count—John McCrae, Basilio—Allen Stewart, The Countess—Gertrude Gibson, Antonio—David Otto. Accompanying at the piano was Max Walmer.

THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO has long been acknowledged as Mozart's perfect masterpiece of comic opera; and is one of a trilogy about Figaro.

A SOPHOMORE
LOOKS BACK

Would the day never come? I asked myself this question over and over again as I waited for Senior High School Day at Castleton. I was one of the fortunate seniors chosen to represent my school and was I happy when I learned this?

Finally the appointed day did come and I arrived early in the morning to be sure not to miss anything. My sponsor was right on the dot to take me around and acquaint me with the place, otherwise I am afraid that I would have been lost before I started.

"Where is all that noise coming from? What is that room? Where are those girls going? Why is everybody in such a hurry?" I asked many questions. My sponsor opened the door to the room on the left and told me that it was the commuters' room. Everybody seemed to be having a grand time. Jean, my particular hostess, introduced me to everyone in sight, and immediately I was made to feel right at home. Such hospitality, I had never before encountered and I felt greatly impressed by the friendliness of everyone.

The bell sounded at 8:30 and everyone ran for classes. It was indeed, a mad rush. Someone going in this door, out that door, upstairs and downstairs, but they all seemed to know just where they were headed. I followed my sponsor in and out the door and to the Old Chapel. We climbed the narrow stairs and entered the music room. The students were reading music at sight. "How can I come here next year? I don't know one note from the other."

"Don't worry. You'll learn," said Jean. "Everyone in Miss Markham's class does."

I went to another room. It was a class in Hygiene. I knew a little more about this subject than I did about music. Soon it was lunch hour and Jean took me to Leavenworth Hall. When I entered the dining room I was almost overcome by the number of students, tables, chairs, and waitresses. Would there be sufficient food for so many? The food finally appeared and no one had to worry about not having enough. Everyone ate a great deal and talked and laughed and sang between courses. Such a good time everyone had.

The day was almost over, but there was still one more event to come. It was a big event, too; a tea was to be served in Leavenworth Hall at 3:10. All the sponsors and their "sponsees" came. They certainly feed well here, I thought to myself.

The end of a lovely day came, and I bade my friends good-bye and went home with the happy thought of what was in store for me next year.

I. R. C. DELEGATES
ATTEND CONFERENCE
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countries of Europe.

There were 220 delegates representing 39 New England Colleges at the conference. At the final meeting it was voted that the conference would be held at Colby Junior College in 1942.

VARIED CHAPEL PROGRAMS

Mr. Zenas H. Ellis of Fair Haven spoke on the observance of Thanksgiving during the chapel program, Wednesday, November 26. Mr. Ellis, always an ardent supporter of the school, donated the Harriet Haskel elm which was brought to the campus from her estate.

Superintendent Archie Stone, of Island Pond, was the guest speaker in chapel November 19. Developing the topic: A Philosophy For Democratic Living In A World Gone Mad, Mr. Stone stated that the basic things in life do not change and that mankind needs to recapture some of these essentials. Education, democracy, and individuals need the faith, courage, and self-reliance that founded and brought about the American way of life.

A Book Week program was presented in chapel as part of the observance of Parent's Day, November 15, with Alyce Leamy and Marjorie Dickinson as co-chairmen. The theme of the program was a busy day in the life of a librarian.

Welcome to the parents in behalf of the faculty and staff was given by Dean Alice Morrill, and in behalf of the students by Barbara Phillips.

Superintendent Edward Boak shared his experiences of his trip to Europe with the students through moving pictures and comments, November 12. Mr. Boak attended the Olympic Games in Germany; viewed the pageant of the "Changing of the Colors"; and studied at Cambridge University. He brought his talk to a close with Henry Van Dyke's poem "America For Me."

Under the direction of Eleanor McLaughlin, the Commuters' Association presented a "Musical History of America" in chapel, November 7. This was illustrated by songs representing the different periods and explanations by the narrator, Joe Solari. The program concluded with the singing of our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner."

GLENBROOK LUNCHEON

Rev. and Mrs. Emerson Blodgett were guests of honor at a tea served by Principal and Mrs. Ermo H. Scott, Friday November 21 to the faculty of the Castleton Normal School and to Rev. and Mrs. Maxwell Clough and Dr. Caroline Woodruff.

Mr. Blodgett teaches at the Newton Theological Seminary, Newton, Mass., has charge of a parish outside the city, and is studying for an advanced degree at Harvard University.

BIRDSEYE REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE

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Burlington Free Press stressed many points necessary in good sports' writing. Harold Bergman, feature writer of the Burlington Free Press pointed out that school papers need not lack material for feature stories if they have a seeing eye and a fresh, original approach.

Harry P. Millham of the Vermont Extension service concluded the afternoon program by discussing news writing from the point of view of reader's interest and good form.



MEN'S UNION HOLD DINNER

See that spaghetti! Looks good, doesn't it? That's what us girls all thought when the male element of our happy family didn't appear for supper Thursday evening. When we girls discovered that our boys were filling up on spaghetti and meat balls, real Italian style, were we peeved? The very idea of not inviting any of the girls—just for the eats of course, that is if Paul Quinn's a very good chef. We wouldn't care about the speeches, even if they were given by our much-celebrated profs, "Jimmy and Jerry." We haven't discovered yet who the student speakers were, they kept that pretty much to themselves, but we doubt whether or not they were any good.

Aw, cut out that stuff! It's only sour grapes! You're just jealous because the males of C. N. S. can find entertainment without our help. Here's hoping that they have as much fun at the other dinners which are now being planned.

SCHOOL SUPPORTS RED CROSS DRIVE

The Red Cross drive which started Armistice Day and ended November 25 proved to be very successful.

The drive was under the direction of Miss Hale and a committee consisting of Clarice Benjamin from Phillips House; Barbara Phillips from Leavenworth Hall; Walter Raynes from the Men's Union; and Anna Wilkins from the commuters. One membership was taken from the Phillips House and two memberships from the dormitory. Bountiful donations have been taken from the faculty.

Miss Hale feels that the drive has been most successful. The Red Cross is open for donations at all times not only when there is a special drive.

SUPT. STILES DISCUSSES SCHOOL NEWSPAPERS

Superintendent Frank O. Stiles of the Fair Haven-Castleton-Rutland district attended the regular meeting of the Birdseye November 14, and spoke to the members of some ways of producing a newspaper in rural schools.

Most rural school newspapers are hectographed and issued once or twice a month. The teacher makes the master copy and the children usually do the printing Saturday morning. In his district, there are two or three papers functioning at present.

Mr. Stiles estimated the initial cost of a hectograph and the inks and pencils needed at five dollars. He stated that this amount can often come out of his school budget.

C. N. S. STAGES "ALICE IN WONDERLAND"

"Alice In Wonderland" is coming to life on the stage of Castleton Normal School, December 11, under the sponsorship of the C. N. S. Players.

In the world of make-believe, Alice meets with many exciting, amusing and weird adventures. She changes size so many times that it is rather confusing to her. Especially disappointing to her is the time that she tries to get into the beautiful flower garden to find herself too large, then too small.

One of the outstanding experiences she has is with the caterpillar. She discusses size with him. He advises her how to become larger and leaves with the expression "I wonder what will happen next." When Humpty Dumpty comes rolling in she is surprised to see how exactly like an egg he is. The final court scene is where her wonderment comes to a climax.

The cast that does such a splendid job includes Rhoda Pratt as Alice, Mabel Badger as the White Rabbit, Marion Levarn as the Caterpillar, Josephine Hinekley as the Queen of Hearts, Donald Coleman as the King of Hearts, Lodemia Cary as the White Queen, Ferol Keech as the Red Queen, Aleda White as the Mad Hatter, Joseph McCormack as the March Hare, Norma Betts as the Dormouse, Vera Pidgeon as Humpty Dumpty, Margaret Will as the Gryphon, Jennie Hull as the Mock Turtle, Bertha Hinekley as the Duchess, Francis Stewart as the Cat, Ellen McGinn as the Knave, Pauline Easton, Rita Langdon, Marguerite Blakelee as the Cards, Elizabeth Graziano as Tweedle Dee, and Arlene Stockwell as Tweedle Dum.

SOPHOMORES

SCOUR WOODS

Haven't you heard? Why, the sophomores have really been tearing up the turf in their quest for fungi, lichens and mosses. Mr. Keech was the instigator of all this excavating of woodland parasites and saprophytes.

We questioned many obliging Juniors before making our little tour: "What are lichens? They are!! Gee, could you tell us where we could get some? Up at Hooker's Ledge? Oh, that's such a long walk—Mosses and ferns, too?"

So, off to the woods we went to delve for such treasures as ferns, mosses, puff-balls, toadstools and many other thallophytes, which of course you know are sporebearing plants. You may be sure that we were not the only people on the trail and though at first we were doubtful as to the abundance of specimen we soon discovered that if we really opened our eyes we couldn't miss them. As we entered the forest every rock and tree seemed to reveal some likely plant. Gray-green lichens, soft velvety green mosses, one after another were added to our collection and best of all, the mosses showed the spores which we were told to observe. After securing what we thought was a sufficient amount we started back to the dorm.

Proud of our collection and thinking that our research was all done we found that we did not know the names of the plants. What an awakening! So with science books, encyclopedias and manuals stacked around us we searched for the names of those minute little plants. After many hours of labor we emerged from the books with weary brains and such additions to our vocabularies as *hylocomium rugosum*, *locobryum glaucum*, and *pogonatum brevicaulis*.

Mr. Keech summed up our efforts with the revised version of the familiar quotation "It's a great life if you don't waken," but judging by the terrariums floating around it looks as if some of us have wakened.

GIVE AND TAKE

The report from the Boston Conference should have aroused the students' interest in student participation in school government. During Senior Week, the students of the Teachers' College at New Britain, took over the college administration. Doesn't this arouse someone's curiosity? Would it be practical at C. N. S.?

If anyone takes an avid interest in the life and personality of Will Durant, that person may consult the November 17 issue of *The Record* from the State Teachers' College at Buffalo. There it lies upon the first page with a photograph of Will Durant himself. The poetry in this issue is very interesting also. Some of our students who have poetic aspirations would do well to try their hand at these styles.

Dissatisfied students at C. N. S. will find a reason for gratitude if they will but read the editorial on the front page of the November 14 issue of *The Record*. It is a comparison of student life in some of the countries involved in wars. Incidentally it presents an excellent thanksgiving thought.

BREVITIES

Beverly Wood spent Armistice week-end with Virginia Blake in Chester.

Many different and sometimes disturbing sounds are emanating from the sports room these days. Ping-pong balls bouncing back and forth, music blaring from the victrola and hammers working to general appearances provide the discord.

Superintendent Frank Stiles of Fair Haven spoke to the Birdseye staff at a recent meeting.

Alma Meader visited her sister in Keene, N. H.

Several brave girls from Phillips' House started for Hooker's Ledge one night recently to have a supper picnic. Many complications including darkness and cold weather forced them to return to eat their supper at the house.

Anna Lenoci had a unique experience in teaching at the Mendon School. Anna took over the history classes and just at that moment Miss Hale arrived opportunely. Catherine Moriarity, '41 is the regular teacher there.

The Panama hat which has rested in Leavenworth lobby has been returned to its rightful owner. Superintendent Carter of Barre has received it accompanied by several poems written by the Sophomore Class.

Josephine Hinckley and Dorothy Smith recently visited some of their classmates who are now active in the profession. The honor of their visit was conferred upon Beverly Hoadley, Virginia Nelson and Fedelis Fox.

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Flash! Flash! Like a whiz the girls are running the boys a close second as far as the basketball courts are concerned. Barb Bouvier (I mean Superman) is racing for top honors while "Dead Eye" Squires is barking at her heels. Under such guidance and examples the younger girls will soon be popping their noses into this column. See by the bulletin board the girls are divided into color teams with green, red, blue and yellow being represented.

Of course this article cannot go to press without saying a word or two about our dazzling cheerleaders. We may lose a game but these girls never fail to give the boys moral support. Toni Dow sits on the top rung of this ladder while Agnes Crossman, Frannie Stewart, Rhoda Curran and Aledia White occupy the descending rungs. However, we understand that this is a temporary set-up and that a drastic change is due. No matter what is done, more pep cannot be shown than that displayed at the Plymouth Game. Best of luck to you, girls, on your new arrangement. How-a-bout hurrying up the job and let us all in on the new version.

Bing-bong-bong-bing, what a racket!—never saw such small girls make such a huge racket! Stewie and Alma sure can bat that ball around. Their aim is to be co-tournament queens, but Jo Hinckley and Pauline Eastman are out to shatter these hopes. Better get up a tournament, girls, but make sure you don't overlook some of the Commuters' shinning ping-pong stars.

As this paper rode back to school snow started flying so now the skis and skates ought to be dug out and polished up. Do I hear anyone say "Aye"?

Yours till the spirit moves and brings some snow.

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SPORTS FOR MEN

C. N. S. dropped its first game of the season to Plymouth State Teachers' College, 64 to 39 on the local court, November 15.

The veteran Plymouth team took an early first quarter lead of 10 to 2. The second quarter saw Curran and Mayo start the scoring for C. N. S. and at half time the lead was cut to seven points, 22 to 15. In the second half Curran and Moriarity piled up the score while Steele did the bulk of the defense work. Plymouth substituted freely using twelve men in all.

Fran Moriarity led the scoring for C. N. S. with 19 points while Judkins and Little scored 14 points each for Plymouth.

Castleton suffered several minor injuries.

Jack Heffernan of Green Mountain Junior College officiated.

Saturday, November 22, Castleton again bowed to Plymouth 46 to 25 in a return game at Plymouth, N. H. Castleton got off to a very slow start allowing Plymouth a 17 to 3 lead at the first quarter. After the second quarter whistle the Castleton zone defense began to click and held the strong Plymouth team to but four points in the second and third quarter. At half time Plymouth led 19 to 13.

In the second half Maynard led the attack and brought the score up to within one point of Plymouth's at the quarter.

In the first six minutes of the fourth quarter Plymouth was held scoreless while Castleton gained a slim point lead. With Steele and Mayo taking most of the rebounds and bringing the ball up to mid-court it looked like C. N. S. was on its way to victory. Then with only three and one half minutes left to play Moriarity, Steele and Curran were put out on fouls, all within one minute. Whalen, Williams, and McCormack went in but were unable to check Little and Campbell who put the game on ice for Plymouth. Little of Plymouth led the scoring with 16 points, while Maynard and Moriarity scored 10 each for C. N. S.

Castleton's defense work was at its best since three years ago when C. N. S. led Plymouth 19 to 4 at half time.

With the zone defense clicking as it did in Plymouth and with a week's practice on shooting, the team will be in good condition for the Danbury game at Danbury, Conn., December 2.

Girls—You should see the Ladies' Sportswear Department—It's something new at **Wilson & Grace** at Fair Haven.

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AMONG THE ALUMNI

Alex Listzwan and Donald Grace, '41, were visitors in Castleton September 19.

Miss Addie E. Maynard, principal of Green Street Graded school in Brattleboro since 1925, has announced her resignation to become a member of the staff of Lyndon Normal School. Miss Maynard is a graduate of Castleton Normal School.

Florence Ryan, '41, of Castleton spent last week-end in Burlington.

Miss Margaret L. Paige, '39, became the bride of Gerald E. Gibbs, '38, November 21. They will make their home in Hartford, Conn.

Misses Vera Slack and Waneta Hull, '43, were visitors in Castleton.

Cecile Lajoie of Proctor became the bride of Helman Johnson, November 25. Miss Lajoie was a graduate of C. N. S.

SCIENTISTS DISCUSS
STUDENT OUTCOMES

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The discussions of the Conference centered about a Set of Outcomes in so far as they pertained to elementary and secondary schools. The Conference included science instructors of prospective teachers, from Teacher Education Institutions in the eastern part of the Country.

The outcomes were excellent for general education outcomes; method of attack was very good; program centered school upon child and adoption of the outcome would necessitate inter-relating of all elementary school subject matter. These were some of the conclusions reached by the conference.

One of the features of the Conference was a dinner meeting at which Dr. Walter H. Eddy, manufacturing biological chemist, extracting and isolating vitamins, spoke on "Nutrition in Defense" presenting the latest statistics on vitamin findings. On Saturday, Prof. S. Ralph Powers, head of the Science Department of Teachers' College, gave the Report of the Subcommittee of Teachers' Education of the National Committee on Science Teaching, "Changes needed in present day programs for Education of Science Teachers."

The next meeting will be held at Boston and will probably coincide with the New England Teacher Preparation Conference and the New England Superintendent Conference.

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Women's Defense School

Vermont's first school of instruction for the women's division of civilian defense with Mrs. James M. Bromley as director was held at C. N. S., January 10-17.

Seventy-seven women, representing thirty towns, attended and were enrolled in courses in nutrition, canteen feeding, first-aid, motor mechanics and surgical dressings.

Women who completed the motor mechanics course are eligible to become members of a motor corps. To belong to a motor corps a woman must own and operate her own car at her own expense, must have taken a course in motor mechanics, must have passed the standard first-aid course, and must be on call at any time for transporting personnel, injured persons, or supplies.

A twenty-hour "refresher course" in nutrition was given those who hold B. S. degrees in home economics and who volunteered to teach nutrition in their communities.

In canteen work, a twenty-hour course was given, which included a study of nutrition, and the preparation and serving of foods in large quantity. A B. S. degree in home economics was a prerequisite of this course also. A working demonstration of a mobile canteen unit was given to the entire school.

Sunday evening a vesper service was held with Gov. and Mrs. Wills as informal speakers. Group singing was led by Prin. Ermo Houston Scott.

A banquet on Friday night brought the week's events to a close. The menu was cleverly written in defense language. After reports and awarding of certificates, speeches were given by Mr. Ermo H. Scott, Mrs. Merrill Proctor representing the State Board of Education, Mrs. H. D. Robinson, State Field Representative ARC, and Mr. Sola from the national office ARC. The program closed with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner.

Members of the instructional staff included Mr. Edward A. Ellis, head of motor mechanics, with Mr. White, Castleton, Mr. Sturtevant, Poultney, and Mr. Hunter, Mr. Manville, Mr. Nolette and Mr. Riley, Rutland, as instructors; Mrs. E. C. Jacobs, Burlington, head of ARC surgical dressings; Miss Blair Williams, Jericho, head of ARC nutrition and canteen, and Mr. O. G. Sola, Washington, D. C., head of ARC first-aid.

Mrs. H. D. Robinson was director of curriculum and Mr. W. Jerome Arnold of Castleton had charge of publicity.

Sophomore Hop

"Walking in the Winter Wonderland" is the theme of the decorations and music for the annual Sophomore Hop to be held in the school auditorium January 31.

Formal invitations will bear a motif of the theme. Special effort is being made to secure as many alumni as possible. Music

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Castleton Conference Comes Of Age



DR. ALONZO F. MYERS, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

Celebrates Birthday To-Day

The twenty-first annual Castleton Conference to be held Friday January 23, 1942 has as its theme Educating Free Men.

A general session in the auditorium at 9 a. m. will open the day's program with President Frederick Wallace of Poultney presiding. The invocation is to be presented by Father John O'Brien of Castleton. Community singing will be led by Miss Mary Markham followed by greetings from the State Board of Education delivered by Mr. Fisher, chairman. President Wallace's message and Commissioner Ralph E. Noble's address on "Education in War Time" will be followed by the main speech of the day. Dr. Alonzo F. Myers, of New York University will address the conference on "The Fundamental Assumption of a Democratic Society."

After the business session, luncheon will be served in Leavenworth Hall. In the afternoon round table conferences will be held discussing the problems, "How may teachers translate the formulated assumption of a democratic society into action?" The several groups will take different phases of the problem and discuss them in terms of their special interests and situations. The committees for the various group discussions are: A group, chairman, Miss Evelyn Heath, Meadowbrook School, with Mrs. Alice Coutts Aldrich, state supervisor of health and physical education as consultant; B group, Mr. Robert Lorette, Meldon Junior High School, chairman, with Miss Jennie Allingham, state helping teacher as consultant; C group, Miss Ruth Schofield, Benson, as chairman with Mr. Robert Hunter, Poultney and Mr. William A. Sargent, Meldon Junior High School, Rutland; E group, Mrs. Helen Van Guilder, Poultney, chairman with Dean Mary Jean Simpson, University of Vermont, as consultant.

A second general session will be held in the auditorium at 2:30 when a summary of each round table discussion group will be given by the respective secretaries, after which new officers will be elected.

Exhibits of school materials will be a feature of the conference.

A Mile Of Dimes

The annual drive for funds to apply to the study and control of infantile paralysis begins January 27.

The slogan, a mile of dimes, presents in a concrete way what is hoped for in the campaign. There are 5280 feet in a mile, 63,360 inches. Castleton Normal School cannot reach a mile, perhaps not even a foot of dimes. It can, it should, it will add its share of inches.

Civilian Defense In Castleton

Civilian defense in Castleton is still in skeleton form but is gradually taking definite shape, according to Albert Davis, town manager of Castleton.

The local Defense Council consists of the Selectmen of the town with Principal Ermo Scott as Director. Assistant Director is Albert Davis whose office in Castleton is the Control Center for the Council.

The Defense Plan has five main divisions consisting of the Police Department under Harold Brown, the Fire Department under Harold White and the Medical Department under Dr. Quinn. The handling of repairs is in charge of Albert Davis and publicity and education is in the hands of Dr. Caroline Woodruff.

The function of the Police Department is to see that everyone is off the street, in as safe a place as possible and that all

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Demonstration Schools

The true spirit of Christmas was amply shown in the activities of the children of the demonstration schools of Castleton before vacation. At Castleton Corners the children were delighted to give their Christmas play on a real stage, now a feature of their rebuilt schoolhouse. The play was pronounced a success by all who saw it. Accompanied by Miss Spooner, the children experienced the satisfying feeling of sharing with others when they went carolling the Castleton Corners neighborhood.

At North Breton the boys and girls spent time and effort in making gifts of wood and metal for their parents. They also made toys such as rabbits, squirrels, and kittens, from rubber tire tubes. They entertained their parents and friends at a Christmas program at school.

The hot lunch program is in full swing at Meadowbrook. The pupils, under Miss

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DEMOCRATIC IDEALS

The conference method is a fine example of the American idea of assembling a group of people with the same problems to exchange ideas on ways of meeting those problems.

Such procedure represents the essence of numerous of our democratic ideals. All those concerned with education in the southern part of Vermont take part in the Castleton Conference from the state board of education, superintendents and principals to teachers and prospective teachers. They all meet together on the same level, each finding his problems much like the others. All become better acquainted, more aware of the special troubles of others. They are free to speak as one person to another instead of being conscious of superiority in position, salary or influence.

Each has a job that is his to do; each is eager to find better ways of doing his work, and as a people devoted to group discussion and group opinion, Americans recognize the conference method as an effective plan of improvement.

We are proud of the Castleton Conference as being a sample of the democratic American way of assembling and applying democratic principles in finding better ways of carrying on one's work.

STUDENTS AND DEFENSE

In an emergency such as the world faces today every student should "all out" for defense for each one can do much toward strengthening our nation physically, morally, and financially. Students everywhere ask, "Just what can we do for defense?" First of all, we can best aid our nation by remaining in school and college. After this crisis is over there will be need for well-trained, well-educated people to restore the country to normal living. The people of college age now will be adults then and ready to do their part. Even during this crisis we need young people with education and special training.

One thing we can do right now is to buy defense stamps with the nickels and dimes we might otherwise spend for amusement or treats. We can buy stamps ourselves and we can influence others to purchase them also.

One of our most important means of defense is conservation. We can save paper, leather, wood, rubber, food, and fuel. But, more important than these is conservation of time. Are you getting adequate returns for every hour's work? Knitting for the Red Cross keeps little hands busy and is a much needed service.

Every student should be alert and well-informed by reading at least one newspaper and listening to at least one broadcast a day. Discussion of these news reports not only makes a student more sensitive to what is going on but adds to his actual knowledge of history and geography. False rumors are a menace to our nation and the morale of the people. Students can help by ignoring rumors and by quoting facts and figures from reliable sources.

It is of greatest importance that we keep ourselves physically and mentally fit. A nation of people ready to face an emergency and lend a hand for defense is a healthy nation physically, mentally, and morally. Such readiness spells victory. We know the principles of sound physical and mental health. Let us show that we practice what we preach.

There's plenty to be done, friends. Let's have no slackers among our Castleton family.

AT OUR DOOR

Actual war strikes very close home to us with members of students' families already on the firing line.

Frannie Stewart's two brothers are in the midst of the fray. William, a member of the coast artillery, is in California. Edward, who is in the navy, was in Honolulu or between Hawaii and the Philippines when Japanese forces became active.

Ann Suneson's brother, Victor, who is in the signal corps, is stationed in Honolulu.

WORK

As Poets See It

A Morning Prayer

Robert Louis Stevenson

The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man, help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces, let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day, bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonored, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep.

The Day and the Work

Edwin Markham

To each man is given a day and his work for the day;
And once, and no more, he is given to travel this way.
And woe if he flies from the task, whatever the odds;
For the task is appointed to him on the scroll of the gods.

There is waiting a word where only his hands can avail;
And so, if he falters, a chord in the music will fail.
He may laugh to the sky, he may lie for an hour in the sun;
But he dare not go hence till the labor appointed is done.

To each man is given a marble to carve for the wall;
A stone that is needed to heighten the beauty of all;
And only his soul has the magic to give it a grace;
And only his hands have the cunning to put it in place.

Yes, the task that is given to each man, no other can do;
So the errand is waiting; it has waited through ages for you.

As We See It

Ten Commandments for Student Teaching

1. Thou shalt always arrive ahead of time and remain until the last task is finished.
2. Thou shalt dress in a manner becoming thy profession.
3. Thou shalt be sure that thy lesson plans are complete, accurate, and challenging.
4. Thou shalt always keep more than one jump ahead of the pupil.
5. Thou shalt see things to do without being told, do more than is expected

EXCHANGE PAPERS

The problem of teacher shortage is a serious one in many states. An editorial in the December 5th issue of the Record, State Teacher's College, Buffalo, New York, discusses the fact of many available teaching jobs as a handicap to students in training. The effect of more positions than teachers arouses too great optimism in students and tends to lower their effort.

Another interesting article in this paper concerns student guidance. Discussions of such important matters as time budgets, letter writing and other social customs are carried on with such assistance as is needed.

Christmas literature was given a place of prominence in the library throughout the month of December.

The Recorder, Teacher's College of Connecticut at New Britain, is one of the most interesting and professional of the exchanges that come to this desk. Of particular note is the write-up of the part the college is playing in the national defense program in the December 5th issue. Sports articles are varied and full of punch always. The Recorder seems to be more fortunate in gaining the cooperation of their alumni than the Birdseye. We'd like to know how they do it.

The College Heights Herald, Western Kentucky State Teacher's College, Bowling Green, Kentucky is to be congratulated on the editorial, "College Life At Its Best" in the December 12th issue. The vision of the responsibility which every American citizen, young and old, must bear in this war is set forth with unusual clarity and sanity.

LIMERICKS

There was a bad man from the West
Who went shooting with some of the best,
In six counties they sought him,
And finally they caught him;
And now he's in heavenly rest.

There was a young man from Spain
Who everyday raced the train,
One day he did steal
Too close to the wheel
And never was heard of again.

There once was a girl named Ruth,
Who always told the truth
So, if you know any liars, refer them to
Squiers
And she will discipline forsooth.

There was an old man from Padook
Who died and turned into a spook
He said, "If I'm I
Did I honestly die?
I thought ghosting was only a fluke."

and never leave a task until it is done.

6. Thou shalt never be afraid or ashamed to say "I do not know."
7. Thou shalt know how to play with thy children and shalt do so early and late.
8. Thou shalt recognize thy children as human beings and not expect them to be angels.
9. Thou shalt not expect thy teachers to show more understanding of thee than thou showest to thy pupils.
10. Thou shalt never forget that teaching is a profession to be proud of.

AND SO IT GOES . . .

"Will you listen to this problem, Gracie? 'Mr. Jones wants to carry enough insurance to provide an income of \$12,000 a year for his wife in case of his death. How much insurance must he carry to provide this amount if the full amount of the policy should be paid and invested in bonds that would average a 6% yield?' How on earth do they expect an eighth grader to figure that out? I can't even get to first base with it. Can you offer any help?"

"Sure, glad to. Don't you find 6% of \$12,000 and then subtract it from the \$12,000?"

"Goodness, no! At least I know you don't do that. A big help you are. Guess I'll see if May can figure it out. She's pretty smart; she was on the dean's list last time."

"What do you know, Grace, she couldn't do it either! Guess we're not so dumb after all. I know, I bet you Martha can do it. She's always telling about the math prizes she won in high school. Here's hoping, anyway."

"No, sir, it stuck her, too. If it had been algebra or geometry, she could have done it, but just plain arithmetic isn't in her line. And I hunted up some of the fellows to see if they could solve the problem for me. But not even their master minds could get the answer! I'll just have to work on it myself until I get it. Thank goodness all my other lesson plans are finished. Let's see—take 6% of \$12,000—that's \$72—now add it to \$12,000—that's \$12,072—take 6% of that—let's see if that will be right—heaven's no—the answer is \$20,000!—let's try something else—the income is to be \$12,000—the insurance is to be turned into bonds that yield 6% interest—let's subtract \$12,000 from \$20,000—but that doesn't get me anywhere—let's try taking 6% of \$20,000—which equals \$12,000—say maybe I'm getting it—that's what the income should be! Aha, I've got it—\$12,000 is 6% of what number—and that number is the amount of insurance Mr. whatever-his-name-is will have to have. Whew, what a relief! But look at the time—twenty minutes after twelve! If I don't fall asleep in school tomorrow!"

"All ready for eighth grade arithmetic. Has everyone his problems done? Johnny, how about you?"

"I've got them all done, Miss Brown, and I didn't get stuck on any of them."

"That's fine. Ann, did you have any difficulty in solving them?"

"Not very much, Miss Brown. There's only one I had to do twice to get—that about all the posts the farmer needed to fence his field."

"My, you surprise me. I thought those problems were quite difficult. What did you think of them, George?"

"Well, I didn't mind them. I got them all."

"That's excellent. Suppose you explain how you did the first one."

And so student teaching goes. Sometimes the pupils will get in five minutes what you studied five hours to get; sometimes the nice lessons plans you prepared are of no use when you actually face the class; some nights you're so tired it

CHAPELS

Principal Ermo H. Scott opened the chapel programs of 1942 at C. N. S. with an urge for student cooperation in the National Defense program.

The main point of Mr. Scott's address stressed that one doesn't realize the intensity or danger and hardships of the present conflict until he is hit personally. All families are being hit since much of the family income will go in taxes. College students in the family should make good leaders and good leaders are always needed in time of strife.

Students and faculty of Castleton Normal School also have a part in this program. Mr. Scott asked that students cooperate in the defense program here by buying defense stamps and helping in every way possible.

The faculty and staff have authorized the governor to withhold a portion of their salaries each month for the purchase of defense bonds.

Sophomores combined work and play in an entertaining chapel program Saturday, January 10. The play opened with the theme of the Sophomore dance, "Walking in a Winter Wonderland" with narration by Leonard Johnson. This was followed by a skit illustrating a girl's difficulties in preparing for the dance itself. The episode concluded with an exhibition of the pleasure to be experienced at the Sophomore Hop, January 31. The dancers were Judy Crossman and Ed Curran.

DEMONSTRATION SCHOOLS

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Heath's direction, make out their own menus, cook and serve their own meals. The feeling that the program is their very own makes the children work enthusiastically.

The school tried something new and different when it sponsored a banquet to which the children invited their mothers. Committees made place-cards to accompany favors, which were little baskets filled with candy and nuts. Twenty-nine people were present to enjoy the menu of grape and grapefruit juice, mashed potatoes, lima beans, buttered carrots, raised rolls, cake and ice cream.

seems you just can't keep going; and sometimes it seems the pupils don't or won't or can't absorb whatever you're trying to teach them.

But that's not all. Student teaching has its sunny side. Just ask any student teacher! There's the apple that Johnny brings; and the smile that lights Mary's face when you tell a story. And what about the little boy who says he'd like to read to you or the little girl that would like some help in geography? Then there's that special feeling that comes when you know you've taught a lesson well and the children have understood and responded with enthusiasm. And, of course, you swell with pride when the regular teacher says you've done a grand job, and when Miss Morrill writes in your book that your attitude is "friendly, sincere, and sympathetic."

Yes, these and many other things repay you over and over again for the struggle you have with eighth grade arithmetic!

WITH THE LADIES

Mrs. Jean Dresden we shall remember for her vivacious manner, petite figure, lovely dark hair and sparkling brown eyes. She came to Vermont from Holland three years ago. Experienced as a telephone operator both in Holland and the United States, she was sent by the Rotary Club of Springfield, Vermont to the Defense School.

The State Chairman of the League of Women Voters is Mrs. Beth Ferguson, a lovely, tall, grey-haired lady with a fine sense of humor. She was born in California and has travelled widely but now resides in Bellows Falls. Two sons now out of college and one daughter attending Simmons make up her family.

Miss Marynina Thompson is a tall, striking brunette with dark eyes and a flashing smile. She was sent to the Defense School by the civilian organization of Chester where she lives. She enjoyed life here at the dormitory and says there was never a dull moment.

The school nurse of Brattleboro, a very intelligent and pleasant gray-haired lady is Mrs. Margaret Marsh. She passed her First Aid course when she took nurses' training some years ago but came to the Defense School to get advanced work and qualify as a certified Red Cross teacher.

Sponsored by the village trustees of Barton, Vermont, Mrs. Gladys M. Rives, a tiny, very friendly, dark-eyed lady came to take the course in motor mechanics, nutrition and canteen work at this school. She laughingly said that when she arrived she did not know the crank shaft from the spark plugs, but after a week of study she burst into verse with the following lines which explain the relation between food and handling automobiles:

"If I were judge, and called to proclaim

The penalty for each crime-convicted sinner,

I would say, ere I had judged his shame,

That evil day, what did he have for dinner?"

TO MEXICO VIA I. R. C.

The International Relations Club presented Mrs. Russell Sholes of Middlebury in a talk on personal experiences in Mexico, January 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Sholes covered 35000 miles in a trailer and spent one year visiting every state in this country and a portion of Mexico.

Supplementing her comments with a movie in colors which the Sholes family had made, Mrs. Sholes gave a vivid description of the geographic features of Mexico and the contrasts it presents in its great wealth and dire poverty side by side. She portrayed the contrast also in the ancient and modern civilizations expressed in architecture, art, and ways of living.

CIVILIAN DEFENSE
IN CASTLETON

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the places are blacked-out when air-raid warning is given. Mr. Brown has not been given the title of Air Raid Warden although his duties are the same. The Repair Department takes care of the

A SENIOR GOES TEACHING

Whoever said that no mental combat exists between teacher and pupils in a first grade situation?

Very few seconds escape when the wriggly scamps aren't in motion, but when this action is guided and controlled by a supervisor who recognizes her job and does it, the results can be very encouraging. Enthusiasm is characteristic of all young children. When my children are delighted over a new game, or individuals are trying to overcome their handicaps, (Norman never can count out papers for his row correctly—but I do think he's learning for he is one of those "slow but sure" cases) they clap their hands and smile as widely as they can. Of course, this clapping habit will undergo changes when they reach the symphony stage, but at present, it offers the quickest, most satisfactory means of expression.

The children are crazy about new games. I really mean crazy; you should hear them when they first go into the gym. We make two trips daily. They make the funniest noises; some are like crows, some are like motor boats, others imitate squeaky carpet sweepers, and we even have a few Tarzans. Of course, when the whistle blows, they close their mouths and open their ears because they can't talk and hear me at the same time. And did it take time to teach them that? Some of us haven't learned that lesson yet!

We have the grandest times with those workbooks—you know the type, I'm sure. Something like the "Voice of the Low I. Q." that Mr. Scott tells about. We draw lines around words, under words, from words to pictures, and sometimes even through words themselves, or else we draw circles around words that begin alike and let me tell you, sometimes I spin in a circle myself when it comes to matching what Dick said to the correct picture.

All told, this teaching racket is lots of fun. I say racket, because in this game, your success depends on your keeping one jump ahead of the other fellow.

DELEGATES CHOSEN TO
EASTERN STATES' CONF.

Students have been elected to represent their respective classes at the annual conference of teacher education institutions to be held in New York City, March 27-28. Helen Hall is the senior class delegate, Joseph Solari goes from the junior class, Jane Bueche is sophomore representative and Aleda White was chosen from the freshman group.

Attendance at this conference is a coveted privilege because it is always held in New York City and also because it includes Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York in addition to the New England states.

building of roads in case they are damaged and makes repairs on electric and telephone lines when necessary.

The signal for an air raid is the continuous ringing of the church bells in Castleton and Hydeville. Everyone is co-operating and very soon the defense program will be fully organized and ready to become effective.

BREVITIES

The honorable Juniors and Seniors are becoming better and better acquainted every day with the trials and joys which their careers will hold for them. Frances Naatz reports a grand time tobogganing with her young charges.

Ellen McGinn spent the Christmas holidays in New York City. Donald Coleman also visited the big town.

Emmy Lou Sheldon of Rutland was a guest of Ruth Squiers the week-end of January 11.

Miss Hale visited friends in Maine during Christmas vacation.

Christine Pratt and Ann Suneson visited Ann's father in Hartford, Connecticut over the holidays.

Katherine Howard, Josephine Hinckley, Lodemia Carey, and Bertha Hinckley are staying at their homes while student teaching.

The right spirit of defense is being evidenced in the dormitory. Many are well on the way to filling their defense stamp books and everyone is saving his cancelled stamps for Uncle Sam.

Miss Pattrell and Miss Heath motored to Virginia for a part of Christmas vacation. They missed a blackout in Washington by one day.

SOPHOMORE HOP

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will be furnished by the popular Ianni's orchestra of Rutland.

Since the dance marks the close of the winter carnival, the auditorium will be transformed into an out-of-doors moonlight scene.

The following committees assisted by the entire class are in charge of preparations: Clarice Benjamin; general chairman; Marion Levarne, Ruth Squiers and Leonard Johnson, decorations, Anita Wilder, Annell McCann, and Elaine Jacobs, invitations and programs; Christine Pratt and Jane Bueche, refreshments; Virginia Renehan, Flora Dow, Barbara Bouvier, and Helen Bertolino, publicity; Burton Brown, return of the properties and removal of decorations. Mrs. Ruth Hewitt is the class adviser.

SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Sorry, folks, but we've tried our darnedest to get Old Man Winter to give us our quota of snow. So for another week or so we'll have to leave the hickory sticks in the cellar. As we grieve over the thought of no snow, how many of you have ventured as far as the Old Dike? Such glamour boys as Ed Curran, Don Coleman, Perry Mayo, and Ted Whalen seem to be playing the game right along with Jack Frost, for they can be seen speeding along the green ice. Saw a huge crack in the ice the other day and from all reports Perry wasn't so speedy and he is the guilty one. To make matters worse, "Dingle" Whalen, in his fight for Frannie Naatz, fell and sat in the middle of Perry. Among our better mirror artists is Anita Wilder who has been giving her skating abilities a workout.

Even though basketball has taken to the bench we predict that it will soon be giving our other gifted pals a chance to show their stuff.

With Juniors and Seniors out student-teaching, plans for the Winter Carnival have been shelved for the present. That doesn't mean that some work hasn't been done, however. The chairmen of the various committees are: General chairman, Ruth Squiers; basketball, Christine Pratt; treasure hunt, Lois Bassett; skiing, Frances Naatz; skating, Anita Wilder; hiking and picnic lunch, Pauline Easton; crowning of King and Queen, Beverly Wood; publicity, Helen King.

Since Josephine Hinckley has joined the ranks of teachers, Edward Curran is taking her place as acting president of the Athletic Association.

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SPORTS FOR MEN

The C. N. S. official basketball season is drawing to an early close with only two traditional games to be played. Both of these are with the Alumni. The dates for the two remaining games are not definite as yet.

This year the Alumni will have in their ranks such stars of last season as Gibbs, Sparks, Bartholomew, Listzwan, and Grace. Bob Lorette will again manage the Alumni.

On the eve of the Winter Carnival there will be an interclass game with the freshmen and the upperclassmen. The freshmen will star Whalen, Coleman, Mayo, Williams, and McCormack all of whom saw action with the varsity squad this season. The upperclassmen will have such veterans as Maynard, Moriarity, Curran, Solari, and Steele. In former years the freshmen have made a fine showing but have not won the interclass series since 1939. This year the freshmen on the average will outsize the upperclassmen but the odds are with the latter.

Several of the varsity squad who desire to play more than a six game schedule have formed a Castleton independent team and have entered into a local league with those from Poultney, Fair Haven, Rutland and West Rutland.

During the recent vacation, Perry Mayo played with the Putney A. A. Team and Fran Moriarity played with the Fair Haven Town Team.

With the winter carnival only a few days off, Ted Whalen and Don Coleman have been waxing their skis and praying for snow. Remember the carnival last year? It was like a day in June, no skiing or skating. Let's hope for a good winter's day for this year's carnival.

The Crow's Nest men are planning skating parties at Lake Bomoseen very soon if weather permits.

Glen Maynard is teaching Physical Education at Meldon Junior High School in Rutland and Fran Moriarity is coaching the Poultney Junior High basketball team as part of their student teaching program.

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AMONG THE ALUMNI

Mrs. William Clark, Kay Horan, '38, was appointed teacher for Cornwall No. 1 School.

Mrs. Weldon House, the former Margaret Jamieson, '38, has been doing substitute work in Chester.

Robert Lorette, '37, teacher of Science and physical education for boys at Meldon School, Rutland, expects to leave soon for the army.

Margaret Lanigan, one year student of Castleton Normal School, became the bride of Mr. Joseph Smith of Fair Haven, January 10.

Sylvia Riberdy, '33, was married to Mr. John L. Smart, December 21.

Margaret Flower, '40, two year student of Castleton Normal became the bride of Lieutenant Richard Hinckley of Rutland.

Harold Gibbs, '41, who expected to go into service immediately has received a deferment until June.

Elizabeth Heffernan, '41, visited Castleton January 18.

WITH THE MAGAZINES

IT'S "OUR AMERICA"—

LET'S KEEP IT FREE

by William Shirer—

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Treasury Dept. U. S. A.

Perhaps you know America best when you have been away for awhile. At home, Americans busy with details of everyday life take too many important and beautiful things for granted. To the average American freedom is as free as breathing air. Across the Atlantic freedom is no longer natural, darkness has descended over the continent. In America we have a better choice than death or slavery. We can remain free, but it will take vigilance, sacrifice, and unity.

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Deputy Commissioner Challenges Students

"Our nation is in the midst of the most savage war the world has ever known. It must be prepared to fight in a different way, a scientific way. School people are doing a double service by helping in the emergency and looking ahead to the post-war needs of the country and preparing to face it." These remarks were made by Mr. Carl J. Batchelder, Deputy Commissioner of Education, when he spoke to the freshman and sophomore classes of Castleton Normal School in a chapel program Thursday, February 5. Mr. Batchelder emphasized the need for young people in teacher-training institutions to stay there and become fully prepared for the positions in life that they are about to take.

Young people enter teacher-training institutions for a definite reason—their interest in younger people, their interest in psychology, and their desire to serve the public. Nothing one can do brings better returns than serving others. This one can do, and get the most out of life, only if he is prepared.

The problem facing all future teachers is, "Am I going to measure up to the challenge I must face?" This will be determined by the way in which these students take the hard things in their years of training and the seriousness with which they take their profession.

The present shortage of teachers will give an opportunity to the prospective teacher to prove himself. Those in teacher-training institutions, if they want to be the best teachers, will stay there instead of going out at the end of two years. It is not fair to themselves to quit now when they know that more preparation is necessary to cope with their problems. Neither is it fair to the children who will be taught. Vermonters have handicapped themselves by allowing two-year students to teach. All young people are entitled to the best—why not take it? There are very few who really cannot afford to finish school; almost everyone can find a way.

Many fail to see that as much preparation as possible is needed because

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C. N. S. To Hear Lord Marley

Lord Marley, distinguished British statesman and formerly a Deputy Speaker of the house will speak here on February 18. His subject will be The Problem of the Pacific.

This famous British Diplomat and statesman, who has just returned for a fourth tour in America has material which shows perennial freshness and significance.

Lord Marley has devoted his life to a brilliant political career, to social welfare activities and to writing and lecturing. He displays eminent knowledge of the topic which he will present.



WINTER CARNIVAL SCHEDULE

Friday, February 13

Basketball Games

Sophomore vs. Freshman girls

Boys Varsity vs. Alumni men

7:30—8:30 P.M.

Saturday, February 14

Skiing on Staso Hill

Hike to Glen and picnic dinner

Skating at town rink or Staso Pond

Treasure Hunt starting from Leavenworth

Crowning of King and Queen

Pico film, Leavenworth Hall

Buffet supper, Leavenworth Hall

Informal Dance, Auditorium

9:00 A.M.

11:30 A.M.

1:30 P.M.

3:00 P.M.

5:00 P.M.

5:30 P.M.

6:00 P.M.

7:30 P.M.

Nutrition Class

A twenty-hour course in nutrition is being held at Castleton Normal School under the auspices of the National Red Cross, with Mrs. Ruth Hewitt as instructor.

The classes are attended by women of the town who are interested in widening their knowledge of nutritional facts and factors. Thirty-two enrolled at the first meeting of the class.

The course covers four large topics: what constitutes an adequate diet and why it is necessary; in what ways protective foods such as leafy vegetables, whole-grain cereals, lean meats, and milk may be included in the diet; the best ways of cooking food; and how to buy foods at various income levels in order to get the most for the money. The lectures will be illustrated with exhibits and demonstrations.

The members of the class are: Mrs. Margaret Pellegrino, Mrs. Ruth Peck, Mrs. Pauline Dunlap, Mrs. Josephine Egan, Mrs. Louise St. John, Mrs. Eileen Nelson, Mrs. Mary Grady, Mrs. Alice Blanchard, Mrs. Daisy Wheeler, Miss Florilla Clark, Mrs. Schwader, Mrs. Elsie Keech, Mrs. Irene Johnson, Mrs. Bessie Ransom, Mrs. Mildred Northrop, Mrs. Cathleen Sherman, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Taggart, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Alice Fox, Mrs. Martha Towers, Mrs. Helen Cole, Mrs. Freda Graziano, Mrs. Ellen Hunter, Mrs. Beth Heyman, Mrs. Edith Brown, Mrs. Grace Lynch, Mrs. Root, Mrs. Alice Davison, Mrs. Mollie Scott, Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. Sarah Leavenworth, Mrs. Mary Jones, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Willard, Mrs. O'Rourke, Mrs. Florence Ransom.

Dean's List

In a special chapel Thursday, February 5, Principal Ermo Houston Scott announced the Dean's List and the first semester's grade results in terms of point averages. Dean's List: Seniors: Helen Hall, Dorothy Kerrigan, Eleanor McLaughlin, Betty Moran, Mollie Mumford; Juniors: Norma Bailey, Arlene Carpenter, Josephine Hinckley, Katherine Howard, Alma Meader, Carlita Phelps; Sophomores: Clarice Benjamin, Eileen Eaton, Merilda Gingras, Anita Wilder; Freshmen: Barbara Atwood, Hazel Beals, Marguerite Blakeslee, Gladys Clark, Pauline Easton, Alice Kinsman, Shirley Martin, Neville Scott, Dorothy Snow, Aleda White.

The highest point average, 3.65, was attained by Arlene Carpenter. Marguerite Blakeslee, Gladys Clark, and Alice Kinsman were tied for second place with an average of 3.63. Eleanor McLaughlin took third honors with 3.56.

The class averages were: Seniors, 2.97; Juniors, 2.79; Sophomores, 2.43; Freshmen, 2.61; Part-time students, 2.53.

The Dean's List represents 19% of the college enrollment. 6% of the students were placed on probation, that is, their point averages fell below 2, and 15% received incompletes in some phase of their work.

The point average of the college as a whole was 2.60. The men students averaged 2.37, while the women attained an average of 2.63. The average of all boarding students was 2.56 and that of commuters 2.59. The boarding women had an average of 2.56 while the commuters

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Luck Crowns Thirteenth Carnival

The thirteenth annual Winter Carnival will open Friday, February 13, with a fast-moving program extending over a two-day period. Ruth Squiers and Perry Mayo with individual committees have made plans to make this carnival an outstanding affair.

Scheduled for Friday evening at 7:30 in the school gymnasium is a preliminary game between the freshman and sophomore girls followed by the main game at 8:30 with boys varsity against Alumni men.

The center of interest will turn to Staso Hill Saturday morning with exhibition skiing by Rudy Morse, '40. This will be followed by competitive downhill and slalom races. The skiing program has been arranged by Frances Naatz.

At 11:30 the picnic hikers will leave for the Glen where they will cook their dinner over an open fire. Pauline Easton has charge of the outdoor meal.

A skating program arranged by Anita Wilder will take place at the Staso Pond or town rink. Exhibition skating, student races on skates and a "free for all" will be included. The Treasure Hunt at 3:00 under the direction of Lois Bassett will get under way from Leavenworth Hall.

The Carnival will reach its peak at 5:00 with the crowning of the King and Queen, presentation of the Carnival cup and awards for sports achievements at the ice throne on the lower campus. The name of the King and Queen and the winning class are to be engraved on the cup. The winning class will be judged on percentage of participation, originality of ideas and skill in various sports. Beverly Wood arranged the ceremony.

A delicious buffet supper planned by Virginia Renehan under the supervision of Miss Campbell will be served at Leavenworth Hall.

To bring the Carnival to a perfect end there will be an informal dance in the auditorium beginning at 7:30. Music will be provided by the new Amprosoun. The dance was planned by Christine Pratt.

First Aid Classes

First Aid courses are being sponsored by the National Red Cross as part of Castleton's defense program. Mrs. Edward Ellis and Mrs. James Keech, both of whom took the First Aid course under Miss Edith Ewald at the State Normal School and received instructor's certificates at the conclusion of the advanced course given at the Women's Defense School in January, are co-chairmen. Mrs. Ellis has classes at Meadowbrook, Hydeville and North Breton while Mrs. Keech has classes at Castleton Corners and in Castleton village.

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RECREATION

Teachers are expected to be physically fit, to have skill in various sports and to be familiar with the values of a well-balanced program of recreation. They are supposed to get adequate training in these things during their years in Normal School, College, or University. We find, however, that a fly has crept into our ointment.

The Athletic Association paid \$5 to rent roller skates for students' use over the week-end. There was roller skating Saturday, but Sunday the gym was locked, therefore, the skates only collected dust that day.

On several occasions students have rounded up a group of sports enthusiasts and gone merrily on their way to indulge in a game of badminton or shuffleboard, or to improve their dancing. Their intentions were good, but in less than ten minutes they have returned with the sad news that the gym was locked. Late afternoons some have gone over for a break in their working program, only to find basketball practise in full swing. Evenings before lesson plans or a history assignment, others have sought to soothe their nerves or relax their muscles, but the C. C. C. boys were playing basketball.

We recognize that we must conserve electricity for defense, that it is difficult to provide recreation seven days a week, and that our gym must serve several purposes, but we wonder how we can fit our theory and practise together.

We hear from the assembly platform that we must be physically fit in order that we may be mentally fit, that we must have social grace and a well-rounded personality. In health and physical education classes we learn that we must know the different sports and become skillful in them. In psychology we read that practise must be distributed and must give satisfaction to be effective.

How can we attain physical skill, social ease and mental poise through locked doors?

WHAT IS EDUCATION

Underneath all the controversies of modern education is the timeless problem of preparing boys and girls for the task of living a life that is happy, useful, and a credit to themselves, their parents, their community, and their country. Thus it was in Greece where to be a Spartan was to be superior. Thus it was when the Indians roamed our country and each Indian boy had to prove himself before being accepted as a brave of the tribe. Thus it was when the Pilgrims landed to plant a new country in which they could worship God as they pleased and bring up their children as they thought best. And so it is today when every mother can dream of her son's becoming president and every father can picture his child as a success and as leaving his mark in the world.

Can we, then, through arithmetic and spelling and history help Johnny to think for himself and thus learn to make decisions in life? Can we, through art and music and reading encourage him to see the need for the beautiful and fine things of life? Can we in all our teaching help him to a better understanding of the privileges and responsibilities of life?

We must ever bear in mind the fact that education is living today in preparation for tomorrow. If that life is to be successful, we must help each boy and girl to realize to the fullest every potentiality.

EDUCATION AND DEFENSE

Dr. Alonzo F. Myers in his address before the Castleton Conference, January 23, enumerated seven beliefs which the National Commission for the Defense of Democracy through Education has unanimously agreed upon as fundamental to any plans for school participation in defense activities. Dr. Myers is chairman of the Commission.

1. Democracy needs defending in every community, school class room.
2. Education has a role in our defense program.
3. Democratic institutions do not defend themselves.
4. Democracies are fashioned for peace, autocracies for war.
5. American education has two responsibilities:
 - a. To make the greatest possible contribution to war efforts.
 - b. To keep alive the principles of the American way of life.
6. Undemocratic school systems can not contribute to democracy.
7. Educational systems denied adequate support are in the same class as any army inadequately equipped.

HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY

A great and tender story of a Welsh mining community has been brought to the screen. It deals with a family in Wales that falls apart through the difference in social thought between two generations of that family, and its subsequent unification through a young preacher, a man of God, poverty-stricken and imbued with far-reaching ideas of humanitarianism. That unification carries through to affect the whole community which has been split by a bitter strike for better living conditions—and to smite down all the gossip and slander that has been poisoning the minds of these Welsh men and women.

It is a masterful example of realism that is not pushed out of shape by noble actions and words. After all, these things do happen once in a great while. It is out of this stuff that great stories are made.

The preacher, Walter Pidgeon, although not as important as the Welsh family, forms the spoke around which the action revolves. Roddy MacDowell, as the youngest member of the family, who learns the ways of the preacher, gives one of the best boy performances of recent times. Donald Crisp as the father and Sarah Allgood as the mother help to round out this movie version. There is much of social significance connected with the strike but the picture is woven together so expertly that one is hardly conscious of the problems presented until after the film has run through. Its effect then is terrific, if one has done any thinking while seeing "How Green Was My Valley" unfold.

DEAN'S LIST

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ing women managed to get 2.68. The boarding men averaged 2.59 and those commuting, 2.43.

Phillip's House girls averaged 2.55 and those from Leavenworth Hall 2.63. This is the second time in the history of the two houses that Leavenworth Hall has come out ahead.

FROM EXCHANGE PAPERS

The Tower Light
Md. Teach. Coll.
Counter Weapons

A committee on the Dissemination of News Relating to National Defense has been appointed to counteract rumor and hearsay and to educate the public to the facts and their significance. Don't be caught defenseless in an educational and psychological blitzkrieg. Remember the lesson of Poland, France, Norway and other victims of the new Caesars. Keep well-informed and be true to yourself as a citizen, a student and a teacher.

Warning:

Two of the requisites of nominees for high positions are individual responsibility and initiative. Those persons who have a yen for a high-sounding title with no work attached are not even considered. He who works hardest is regarded as the best man.

A Unique Reminder

One organizer has mimeographed blanks which he uses to remind committee chairmen of duties, the text of which is a gem of delicate phrasing:

Dear—, old pal,

Not that there is any hurry, but I just wanted to remind you to (sign up for orchestra, order the punch, or whatever he wants to remind the chairman to do.) Say, is there any basis to the rumor that the Student Council is collecting the names of people that are inefficient in extra-curricular activities and giving them to the faculty? Well, as I said, no hurry, old pal. I only asked you to do it (2,3,4, 5, etc.) days ago.

Signed,

College Heights Herald
Western Ky. T. Coll.

A very effective way of obtaining alumni news has been instituted. The reporter visits the alumni at work and covers both their personal and professional activities. More interest in the Birdseye might be obtained if a similar plan could be worked out here.

The Record

Buffalo, N. Y. T. Coll.

In October, freshmen submitted a week of their time expenditure for analysis. The number of study hours reported by the freshmen for the week ranged from 46 7/12 to 3. Either of these extremes, considered as a dangerous area, was given special help by the counselor. In fact each freshman who studied less than fifteen hours during these particular days was in for first aid from his counselor and sponsor.

SHERKASSKY HEARD
AT RUTLAND

An unusual opportunity was presented the students and faculty of the Castleton Normal School to attend the second concert of the Community Concert of Rutland, Sunday, February 8. The featured artist, Shura Sherkassky, is a finished pianist, Russian-born but an American by adoption. He studied with Josef Hoffmann and was graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music.

ATTENTION BOYS

Attention!

"All right, boys, line up in the usual manner—feet together, arms at sides, eyes front." Thus begins our gym class. At least, that is the way it should begin, but of course boys will be boys, and some unnecessary kicking, pushing and talking ensues. Eye discipline usually takes care of the situation. You know, that cold stare that is intended to make one shrivel in his skin, but rarely does more than cause the culprits to straighten up and face forward.

One of the most difficult of the feats required is the twenty-four man pyramid. The boys like this particularly but it requires teamwork and cooperation from all. There is no place in this activity for the non-serious but, in a group of 160 boys, divided into five groups on the basis of mental tests, there are sure to be some cut-ups.

Group II includes boys with I. Q.'s ranging from 77 to 121. One with no knowledge of gym work would know that such a class is sure to provide good healthy normal reaction. Here are real boys just at the show-off stage when everything seems funny. To get these fellows to work together is a real job but work they do and enjoy the doing.

Group I of the same grade is different. Here the boys vary from 101 to 130 in mentality. They are gentlemanly, usually discipline themselves, and are often timid and retiring. One might expect that muscular co-ordination and reaction would be superior with them but not so. They are studious, quiet and non-athletic.

In Group III, the boys are pretty difficult to handle. The I. Q.'s fall as low as 55 and go no higher than 108. These fellows try hard but attain little. Any success at all is a step in the right direction. It is fun to help them achieve what they can.

Group IV, seventh grade level, presents its problems. Here the I. Q. range is from 91 to 131. One can expect, and get, a good response. These boys are well-dressed, neat, gentlemanly but not sissies. They're willing to co-operate and work together to the nth degree but don't fool yourself—there are little mischiefs here, too. That adds to the fun.

Last of all is Group V in which mental ability ranges from 79 to 104. Here is the rough and ready type, always doing the wrong thing at the wrong time. These boys get things done after a fashion, but they never hurry, not even when bribed with a basketball game.

One wonders at the end of a hard week if the physical education program is really of any value to these groups. But when their bright and smiling faces appear on Monday morning, one knows that it really is worthwhile.

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Always responsive to a worthy call, the faculty, staff and students of Castleton Normal School have added two and one-fourth inches to the "Mile of Dimes." By itself, four dollars and sixty cents doesn't mean much, but multiplied by the number of similar contributions of other groups all over the United States, it assumes gigantic proportions.

NEWS FROM CAMP



BOB LORETTE

105th Observation Squadron
Langley Field, Virginia
January 31, 1942

To the Editor:

Well, here's the letter you asked for, but you can't have permission to use it unless you send me a copy of the paper. If you don't want a libel suit, you'd better comply.

In this game I am very much the freshman. I never know just what to do next, but nine weeks of basic training should straighten that out.

Most of my group stayed at Devens for five days. They put us through our paces there. Getting fitted for uniforms, taking instructions of one sort or another, and being tested kept us pretty busy. The inoculations were easy to take but hard to live with. My arm is as stiff as a board.

The food in this army is wonderful. I believe that ninety-nine percent of the men are better fed here than they were at home. Considerable variety is offered and the menu is changed daily but Miss Kelly and Mrs. Hewitt would want to make their own coffee.

We left by Pullman at 2:30 P. M. Thursday, dined in Springfield Mass., retired in New York City, and were awakened in Richmond, Virginia. The trip to Langley Field was interesting. It reminded me of Vermont in May.

Langley Field is a wonderful place, much like a college campus. The brick buildings, stores, officers' houses, paved streets, "freshmen," "seniors," and "professors" all lend to this atmosphere. The air field is a large and very busy place. Planes drone overhead all the time.

Southerners are very interesting people. Their manners are enviable. The officers go to no end of trouble to see that the men are well-cared for.

That's about all of importance that has happened. If I have learned anything, it is that I know less about the army than I did when I joined it, so while I sit tight and learn, you must remember to send that paper.

A very new soldier,
Bob Lorette.

Edward Hart '43 is at present a student at Dodwick Aviation Military Academy, Avon Park, Florida. The following excerpts are from a letter to one of his school mates.

"I am only one of thousands of cadets hoping to become a pilot. Just so I don't let you kids down, you can tell them I soloed, but I can't promise you much more as I don't know whether I can make the next check ride which comes after 20 hours of flying. By that time we must have soloed, done lazy eights, spins, stalls, banks, turns, elementary eights and s-turns. These all have to be done with precision, which is the army way.

Gosh! you will never know the thrill I got out of my solo ride. It really was a killer. Here's how I felt—suddenly I found myself alone in the plane. It takes a lot of courage to put that stick and throttle forward because, you know, after this is done things are bound to happen. Well, I did just that and things did happen. My plane took on the aspect of a roaring flame-spitting monster. My breath came fast, my hands got sweaty and let me tell you I had a vice-like grip on the controls. Finally, after roaring down the field to half its length, I found myself pulling back on the stick and much to my surprise found myself in the air. I had too much to think of then to get scared. All I thought of was bring it down safely on the ground in one piece. I assumed a glide and the ground suddenly sprang into action and seemed to start up towards me in an awful hurry. Suddenly, after what seemed like ages, it was over, and I found myself making a fairly good landing and taxi-ing down the field. Perhaps you can realize how I felt. At least if I can't fly for the army, I know I can fly. If I get washed out now, I won't feel so badly."

AIR RAID INFORMATION

Mr. James A. Keech represented the town of Castleton at the Air Raid Warden School in Montpelier January 16-18. In chapel Monday, February 9, he gave some of the important facts which are stressed as precautions.

Castleton and other similar towns are in no danger of being bombed with one-ton bombs but they may, and probably will, be bombed with incendiary bombs, said Mr. Keech. This makes for a very great fire hazard. In an incendiary bomb attack, one plane may drop as many as 2000 bombs which will easily penetrate a roof and which usually lodges in attics but may go through the whole house to the cellar. These bombs are made of magnesium with a head of thermit, a fire-producing mixture. In handling these bombs, water should not be used as it only makes them explode. However, they may be sprayed with water since that makes them burn faster and at the same time wets the surrounding objects. Pyrene or carbon dioxide fire extinguishers should never be used as they generate poison gas. The bomb should be rolled on to sand, covered with sand, and scooped, with a shovel, into a pail of sand. The pail should be lifted by placing the shovel under the handle thus keeping the bomb as far from the body as possible.

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BOYS IN BASKETBALL

"Let's cut the squad down to ten, we can't get anywhere with such a big squad and only two hours a week to practice," said Al, the third time the squad met for practice.

Al is a well built lad with an I. Q. of 109. His ability in mathematics and in basketball is relatively the same, but his attitude is entirely different. In math class, he turns to his fellow students for help and comparison of answers as he is only interested in getting a good mark, not in the theory of the problem or the practical application of the principle. In basketball he tends to dominate the others and give orders. He is a good player and looks at the game from the point of view of an interested athlete rather than an average 8th grade boy.

Little Ted, who is very small physically, has an I. Q. of about 100. Of the 35 boys on the squad he and another boy with an I. Q. of 99, have shown the greatest improvement since practice began. These two fellows show interest in their mathematics and receive average grades.

Walter is a good math student but a very troublesome pupil. He has an I. Q. of 105 and receives good marks. At basketball he is not the trouble maker that he is in regular class work. He has shown improvement and has the physique to make a good athlete. He is eager to become a good player and to make the team. He controls his behavior at practice so that he will be given a chance to play. He dominates in arithmetic class, but on the court he seeks help from the other fellows.

Jack has an I. Q. of 83. He has very poor marks in his class work and shows no improvement in the techniques of basketball. He craves attention and wants to get ahead in school, but it is very difficult for him because his reasoning power is poor. This is equally evident in organized team play and in regular subject class work.

The five boys who will probably make the first team have I. Q.'s from 105 to 110.

With this squad of 35 boys it is evident that with two or three exceptions, the degree of muscular coordination is proportionate to the individual's I. Q. The boys are all in good physical health, which, of course, is a decided factor in acquiring any skill.

CHAPELS

The first chapel of the new semester was in charge of Mr. Scott who pointed out to the students the attitude they should assume toward the present rationing of sugar. It may mean fewer cakes for students in the dorm and less sweet in coffee but this must be taken in the stride of every person.

Mr. Scott read some interpretations of democracy as applied to their own situation which the students of Plattsburg Teachers College set for themselves in the freshman and sophomore years. Now in their senior year, the students have reviewed the standards they set for themselves and evaluated their progress in democratic living.

Chapel closed with the singing of the first stanza of "The Star Spangled Banner" and the pledge to the flag which will be a part of every chapel.

BREVITIES

Have you heard the concerts given by the dormitory girls after supper on the stairs? They have harmonized everything, if you can call it that, from "Concerto for Two" to "When You and I Were Young, Maggie."

Roller skating enticed many people, both experienced and inexperienced. The pull of gravity seemed stronger than usual.

The recent snow-storms have brought out hidden talent. Maggie Willis, Jean Long, Rhoda Curran, Donald Coleman, Anita Wilder, Ted Whalen and Perry Mayo have been trying christies and gelandersprungs on Staso Hill. We miss Ginny Blake when it comes to fancy performances.

Mrs. Hewitt spoke at the Zonta Club in Rutland on "Nutrition and Defense" Tuesday, January 27.

Arlene Carpenter spent Friday night at Kay Howard's home in Benson. She drove back with Kay to attend conferences Saturday morning.

Lois Bassett was a guest of Helen Jamieson in the dormitory Tuesday and Friday nights. The parties in her honor were gala affairs—rather noisy, too, we hear.

The Juniors seem happy that student-teaching is over. And the Seniors have brightened visibly at the prospect of only one more week.

May we who didn't make the Dean's List congratulate you who did?

DON'T SPARE THE HORSES

With Old Man Winter giving the vicinity of Castleton its ration of snow, the Commuters' Association of Castleton Normal School had a merry sleigh ride on the night of February 9. Leonard Johnson, Center Rutland, a member of the sophomore class, was chairman. Pulled by a husky team of horses, the loaded sleigh glided noisily about the several side roads around town. Guests of the sleigh riders were Helen Jamieson, Frances Douglas, Margaret Smith, and Neville Scott.

At the end of the frosty journey, the lively crowd was served steaming hot chocolate by Miss Edith Ewald, faculty adviser of the commuting students.

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Howdy, folks! With so much snow all of a sudden, almost couldn't get the old pen going to bring you the latest news of our small sports world here on the campus. Hickory tracks have been marring the snow's beauty out in front of Woodruff Hall as well as on Staso Hill. See that Judy Crossman, Ed Curran, and Don Coleman are partly responsible for some of the deeper dents occurring in the snow.

Roller-skating, in the past couple of weeks, has been going with a bang. Some of these bangs have been more than amply shared by the less talented skaters. Seems that whether one tries skiing or roller-skating he manages to end up on the same place.

Turning to basketball, Barb Bouvier, Clarice Benjamin, and Ruth Squiers under the guidance of Miss Ewald helped to select the top hoopsters of the Sophomore and Freshman girls. Understand that these two groups will clash as a preliminary bout to the boys' game. Don't imagine there will be any hair-pulling or eye-scratching rivaling for top honors. The rest of the students ought to be on hand to witness some fast playing. Better be bounding alone so I can catch up on some more news. See you all at the game Friday night and don't forget to bring your best set of lungs because you'll sure need them to cheer the boys on to victory.

Nobody is supposed to know who the King and Queen of the Winter Carnival are, but the staff of the Birdseye ventures the guess that all the "wise guys" are correct in their predictions.

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SPORTS FOR MEN

The snow that we prayed for last month is here. Let's hope that it will stay a month or more. At the first signs of snow, Don Coleman was on his way to Staso Hill where he reports the skiing is good.

In the men's lounge the subject of conversation is skiing. The boys have been waxing their skis and getting ready for the big day, February 14. Whalen, Curran, Coleman and Mayo are our leading ski enthusiasts.

The skating has been fine at the dyke until the recent snow. It is expected that the ice at the dyke will be in good condition by the end of the week for the carnival. No one yet has been able to replace Ed Hart's position as number one skater of C. N. S. Incidentally Ed is now a flying cadet.

The Castleton Independents have had three games of which they have won two and lost one. Jim Steele has left C. N. S. Jim is in class A-1 and will no doubt be inducted into the army soon. Jim has been on the basketball team for four years and will be missed in his regular guard position for the rest of the year. Jim was a number one bridge player and a regular fellow.

February 13 is the tentative date for the Alumni game at C. N. S. gym.

**DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
CHALLENGES STUDENTS**
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many two-year students have succeeded in the past. Times, and conditions, have changed. Teaching has progressed and demands have increased.

Vermont's young people are as good and as capable as any others. That can be proved by their attitude at the present time. Students will prove that they are prepared to answer the question, "Am I going to measure up to the challenge I must face?"

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ALUMNI NEWS

The engagements of several of '41 graduates have been announced. Among them are those of Barbara Clark to Albert Dauphin, Viola Perry to Stanley Offensend, Waneta Hull to Kenneth Clark of Mannsville, N. Y., Louise Allen to Earl Gill of Burlington, and Virginia Blake '44 to Robert Clark of Springfield. Ginny will be married February 14, Valentine's Day.

AIR RAID INFORMATION
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In preparation for an air raid, air wardens want to know all vital facts concerning the number of people who live in every house, how often they have guests, and where each one is when away from home. There should be in each house a refuge room situated under stairs or where it is protected on three sides by other rooms. It should be equipped with a water supply which is changed daily, two or three pails of utility water, some food and a way to cook it, sand, shovel and some form of entertainment. It is necessary that the refuge room be entirely blacked-out. In a raid all traffic should stop instantly and cars should be parked at least ten feet apart.

It is best in an air raid to lie face down with the arm crooked under the forehead with a handkerchief or rubber eraser held between the teeth to prevent their breaking.

There are few injunctions to be remembered but they are exceedingly important: don't get excited, don't run, stay indoors, lie down, use common sense. The greatest insurance for safety is to be prepared.

One of the instructors at the Air Warden School was an experienced air warden from England. Mr. Keech expects to be the air warden instructor for the village of Castleton.

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Students And Faculty To Attend Conference In New York City

Four student delegates from Castleton Normal School will arrive at Hotel Commodore, New York City by bus Thursday, March 26 to attend the Seventeenth Annual Spring Conference of the Eastern States Association of Professional Schools for Teachers. Helen Hall represents the senior class, Norma Bailey, the junior, Jane Bueche, the sophomore, and Aleda White, the freshman.

"The Education of Free Men in American Democracy" is the theme of the conference which is divided into faculty and student sections with panel discussions for each. Student conferences will consider phases of the subject, The Democratic Processes Applied in the Organization and Control of Student Activities. Dr. Richard E. Fox will participate in the discussion "What should be the role of the faculty advisor of student organizations?" Jane Bueche is a member of the group trying to discover how we may discover potential leaders, then provide opportunities for their development. Aleda White will join the panel concerned with art departments and clubs that provide more opportunities for creative work. Principal Ermo Houston Scott is chairman of the sectional meeting for faculty members devoted to rural education. Dean Alice Morrill represents Vermont among the members of the Board of Control which consists of the officers of the Association and one additional person from each of the twelve states elected by the delegates of the member institutions in those states.

The banquet Friday evening is one of the outstanding events of the conference. Music by the McKinley Vocal Ensemble of the State Teachers College at Jersey City and the address by Dr. Donald DuShane, Secretary, National Commission.

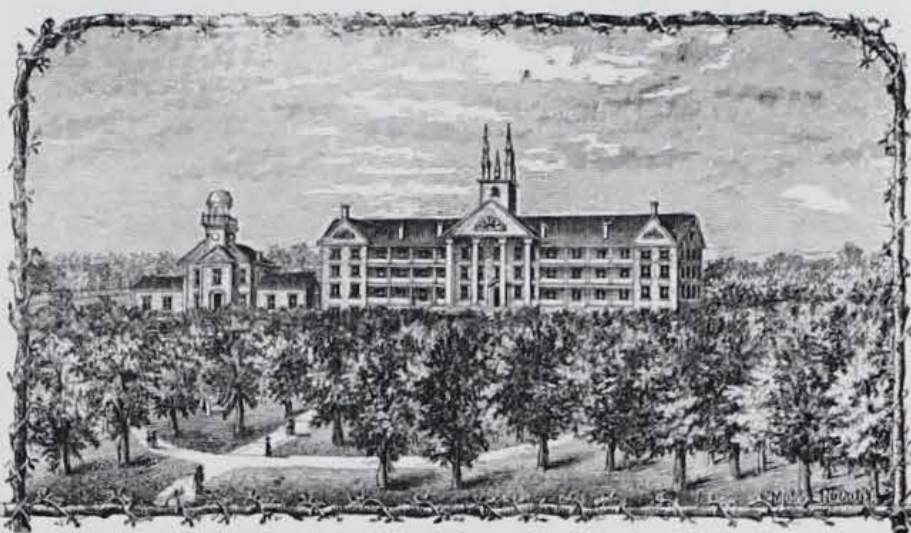
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OPENING DATE SEPT. 14 FOR ALL STATE SCHOOLS

The principals of the three State Normal Schools, Dr. Douglass, University of Vermont, and Deputy Commissioner Carl Batchelder met with Commissioner Ralph Noble Saturday, March 14 to consider problems common to all four institutions. September 14 was set as the opening date for the four schools. Other matters considered were uniform days for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Spring vacations and Commencement exercises. Plans were made for a study of desirable curriculum changes. This will be the first time that all of the State Schools have observed a uniform calendar year.

These measures are intended to unify the training given by the state to its prospective teachers.

School Celebrates Diamond Jubilee



THE SCHOOL PLANT IN 1867



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE PRESENT PLANT

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Seventy-five years ago this institution, whose 75th birthday is being celebrated tonight, began its career as a training school for teachers. Preceding its history as a Normal School, it was designated as the Rutland County Grammar School and later as Castleton Seminary, until the year 1867 when the name State Normal School marked its changed status. From the first it has been a co-educational institution. The first graduating class, after the school entered upon its teacher training career consisted of two young ladies. In 1941 sixty-eight students graduated. Fourteen were awarded their degrees, twenty-five received third year certificates and twenty-nine were given second year certificates.

The prominent feature of the celebration is a banquet to which have been invited Gov. Wills, Lt. Gov. Mortimer Proctor, and other state officials, members of the Department of Education, presidents of Lyndon Normal School, Johnson Normal School, Norwich University, Middlebury College, University of Vermont, Bennington College, St. Michael's College, Green Mt. Jr. College, and many friends of the school including four hundred alumni.

Among the speakers are: Governor Wills, Lieutenant Governor Mortimer Proctor, President John Millis of U. V. M., Deputy Commissioner Carl J. Batchelder, and President Jesse Bogue of Green Mountain Junior College.

Popular songs of the 1860's and school songs of recent years will be sung between courses. A touch of history will be introduced by costumes of the old days worn by some members of the present student body. Following the dinner program a social hour will afford opportunity for old friendships to be renewed and new friendships to be formed.

An exhibit of relics and documents of the school is displayed in the library. This exhibition includes photographs of early

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PRIN. SCOTT ATTENDS CONF. AT BURLINGTON

The Champlain Valley Teachers' Association held annual spring conference at Burlington High School Friday, March 13. Discussion centered around strengthening the nation from within through education.

President Millis of the University of Vermont acted as chairman. Dr. Payson Smith, University of Maine, Commissioner Ralph Noble, and Dr. Paul Evans of the Department of History, University of Vermont were the speakers.

War time responsibilities of the schools were outlined by Mr. Noble. He stressed three facts. 1. The fundamental principals in education today are the same as they were before Dec. 7. War is not a permanent state of society. 2. Any educational program must be mainly concerned with the present and future of the state's youth. 3. Since the purpose of the school is to preserve, perpetuate and perfect democracy we do not want to forget the direct contributions that youth can make.

Dr. Smith's address emphasized the position of the individual in American democracy.

BIRTHDAYS OF SOME OF OUR FRIENDS

Governor William H. Wills—October 26
Lieutenant Governor Mortimer R. Proctor—May 30

Commissioner of Education, Ralph E. Noble—June 29

Deputy Commissioner, Carl J. Batchelder—September 1

State Board of Education

Mr. John R. Fisher—August 5

Principal Ermo H. Scott—September

Past Presidents

Mr. Andrew N. Adams—January 6

Miss Harriet Haskell—January 14

Mr. Abel E. Leavenworth—September

Mr. Phillip Leavenworth—February 18

Dr. Caroline S. Woodruff—July 15

Friends of the School

Mr. Harry Dewey—January 29

Mr. George Ellis—July 25

President of the Alumni

Lawrence Ward

Class Presidents of '42

Senior—Edward Fish—September 18

Junior—Alma Meader—September 2

Sophomore—Paulina Howard—August

Freshman—Aleda White—June

POLYNESIA

A free trip to Tahiti will be offered members of the Rutland Tri-County Association and Castleton Normal Students by Earl Shenck, scientist, explorer, actor, and artist at the annual convention, Friday, April 17. His lecture on Polynesia will be illustrated by a full length colored motion picture with sound. This is the first all color motion picture of feature length ever made entirely in the South Seas.

The business meeting and sectional conferences will be held in the morning. School will be closed and C. N. S. will move to Rutland for the day.

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A WORTHY RECORD

Castleton Normal School as an institution of higher learning and as a training school for teachers has existed for seventy-five years. It has sent forth many men and women to transmit its ideals and efforts to young citizens of the state it serves.

C. N. S. has encountered many storms along its route to the peak of its present life. It has withstood a devastating fire, a period of inactivity when its doors were closed by an act of legislature, and the greatest depression the country has known. It stands today as a monument to the determination, courage, and perseverance of those who accepted every obstacle as a challenge. Achievement never comes without hard work and a positive goal, whether it be the achievement of one individual struggling alone, or that of a body of people.

Castleton Normal School stand for wise leadership, hard work, close cooperation and most of all, indomitable and worthy purpose. But Castleton Normal School does not intend to rest on the laurels of bygone days. It has everything to keep it moving forward—a rich heritage of tradition, dynamic leadership, recognition and backing by the State Department of Education, a loyal alumni, and many true friends.

We, the present student body, are in good company. If we would prove worthy of our heritage, we, too, must face reality with courage and determination and turn each liability into an asset. The challenge handed to us is one which we reach for eagerly and accept willingly.

A REMINDER

Education, one of the fundamental freedoms of our democratic country, and one of the first provisions in the early settlements, must not be allowed to suffer in these troubled times. So long a part of our daily living that it has been accepted as one of our life streams, education must not be let down by any of us in the field.

Taxes, priorities, higher costs of living, teacher shortage and rationings all have their effects on education. All necessary obligations must, and will be met by the public.

Schools and teachers will be called upon to share these obligations and to make sacrifices. We should consider it our privilege to serve well that we may play a small part in the survival of one of the greatest assets of a democracy—educational opportunity for all, but let us not allow the public to forget that upon our shoulders rests much of the responsibility for passing on to the next generation the ideals, understandings, duties and privileges of a democracy and that in return we are entitled to recognition and recompense commensurate with our task.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Student government can work. It is in effect in many places. The members of the student governing body are popularly elected on the basis of personality, character and leadership and their job is to study and solve, if possible, the common problems of the student body. They make mistakes, of course, as their elders do, but they learn to examine their mistakes in the light of their problems and so profit by the experience.

Every institution, however, has problems peculiar to itself which makes it impossible to copy exactly the form of government of any other school. Castleton's problem is complicated by the fact that there are two separate and distinct organizations, the Commuters' Association and the Student Cooperative Association. The latter, in turn, is composed of three groups, Leavenworth Hall residents, Philip's House residents, and the boarding men. At present, the Senate, which is composed of the presidents of all four classes and the various clubs, is the link which holds the two associations together. This body, therefore, is the school's most representative group and the one that bears the greatest responsibility.

From time to time, one hears complaints about the action taken by the student government or a desire expressed that the student body might be one solid body rather than two separate organizations or that a different type of organization would be better. It is a natural thing for students to wish to work together and govern themselves. All free people want to be independent and able to exercise a certain amount of self direction. This is a fine thing and as it should be, but students like all other individual groups must keep in mind the fact that they are unable to solve alone all the problems that concern them. They lack the maturity, the training and experience necessary to reach the wisest decision in many cases. They must be willing to seek the advice of those who can see the problems from all angles and who are able to treat them more adequately when the problem warrants such procedure.

Student government succeeds when its members respect themselves, their fellow-students, their advisers, and all duly constituted authority. This means weighing problems carefully, studying them through as far as possible and judging which of several solutions will bring the greatest good to the greatest number. The natural adviser for a student governing body is the head of the institution who has the interest of the students at heart as well as the interest of the institution and who occupies the position of leader because of ability, vision and training. Student government succeeds when it works steadily toward a goal that represents the best thinking and worthiest motives of all its members both junior and senior.

FRESHMAN FROLIC

"Robins and Roses" is the theme of the Freshman Dance to be held April 25.

The keynote of the dance will be carried out through the decorations, refreshments, music and programs.

FROM THE EXCHANGE

The Record
Buffalo, N. Y. T. College

Maintaining Civilian Morale

Dr. Irving J. Lee of Northwestern University recently outlined seven rules for maintaining war-time civilian morale:

1. Center your attention on your task-at-hand and seek new ways of helping.
2. Don't feel that the whole burden rests on you. Just do something, however small and the net result will be great.
3. Don't worry. It dissipates your energy.
4. Don't expect too much. Prepare for bad news.
5. Question all rumors.
6. Trust those in authority.
7. Don't worry near children. They are easily excitable.

Serious Teacher Shortage

Decreased enrollment in teacher's colleges and normal schools is aggravating a serious shortage of qualified teachers, says the National Commission for the Defense of Democracy through Education. The Commission points out that this teacher shortage threatens to undermine educational standards.

The shortage is already decreasing the quality of schoolwork, since many communities have tried to overcome it by lowering teacher qualifications. Many emergency certificates will be issued to poorly-trained teachers who in many instances be allowed to remain in the profession after the emergency is over.

The Northern Light
Plattsburgh State N. S.

The Northern Light is doing its part for defense. Recognizing the value of paper, The Light bears the following suggestion: "This paper is vital for defense. After reading your Northern Light over the weekend, bring it back on Monday and deposit it in a special basket placed near the north bulletin board by this staff. Let us turn scrap paper into 'dollars for defense.' 'Remember! Paper scraps may beat the Japs!'"

EDUCATION MAP

Red, yellow, green and blue pins on the map of Vermont displayed in the main corridor of Woodruff Hall have caused many passers-by to stop, examine the map and ask questions.

Each pin represents a teacher listed by the State Department of Education as having had part of his training at Castleton. The pins mark the town in which the person is teaching, not the exact location of the school within the town. Red pins indicate four years, of training, yellow pins, three years, green pins, two years, and blue pins one year attendance at C. N. S.

This map does not indicate training the teacher has had at another institution either before or after his attendance at Castleton, which explains the large number of blue pins heads. Many teachers who are designated by blue pins hold four year certificates or degrees but have spent but one of their four years at Castleton.

LOOKING BACKWARD

"My, now I'm uncomfortably full! This certainly is a nice banquet; everything's so lovely, the decorations, the program, and the food!! Mmmmmmm, all of this to celebrate Castleton's diamond jubilee.

Seventy-five years as a normal school is quite a record. And all the changes that have been made! Why, way back when I was graduated in '25 (that was the year after the fire) Castleton was small—only thirty-two of us received diplomas, but the school was growing even then, however I don't believe any of us dreamed of such an event as this, or of such a school as this!

That year, by the way, was when the first birthday banquet was started. You see, after the fire we all lived around town in the different houses. When the new building, Woodruff Hall now, was finally completed in March '25, we moved in. It was a day just about like this, and what a time we had! That night we had a rather gala affair—you know we ate in what is now the auditorium. Well, Dr. Woodruff said that such an occasion in the history of a school should be remembered, and so it's been commemorated ever since.

Then there's another custom that was added to the birthday banquet to make it a festive occasion. Each time some one's birthday came around the cooks would make a cake for them, but it got to be such a job as the number of students increased, that Dr. Woodruff suggested all the birthdays be celebrated together. So, there you have it. The day the new building was first used, March 20, is now the day of the birthday banquet.

I remember well some of these parties that I used to come back for. Why, weeks and weeks—even months before people would begin getting ready for them. We would sit together by months. All whose birthdays were in August, for instance, would sit at one table. They'd decorate the table appropriately, and give a skit appropriate to the scheme.

Why, I recall one year, the April people had Peter Rabbit for their theme. Each person came with rabbit's ears and the group dramatized Peter Rabbit. July used to have some pretty good ideas, too. Once they had a Roman banquet with golden goblets (alias gilded glasses from the 5 and 10) and royal purple table cloth! They sat on benches and 'reclined on one elbow'—just like the old Romans!!

The next one I attended was in '29 when they used the new dormitory,
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SEEING FLORIDA

John Markham, a seventh grade pupil in North Clarendon School, brought Florida to the seniors and juniors Saturday, March 7 with an illustrated talk on his experiences there. Places visited on route, three months in school in St. Petersburg and trips to other cities in the state furnished material for John's informal talk with the classes.

John is a versatile young person. He likes typing, singing, writing, figuring and taking his own pictures. He seems to be very much at ease when talking before a group, and always ready to answer questions which concern his experiences.

Delegates To Eastern States Conference



HELEN HALL
Senior Class Representative

DEPUTY SHERIFF FOX ATTENDS SCHOOL

Representing the Castleton defense officers, Dr. Richard Fox, who has been appointed Deputy Sheriff in Castleton, attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation school for law enforcement officers of Southern Vermont held in Rutland during the week of February 23 to 28.

The school in Rutland was one of two such schools in Vermont. The second one was in Burlington and likewise was for the purpose of instructing officers to train others in their locality in war time police duties.

Subject matter in the schools included organization for handling traffic, convoys, evacuations, time bombs, and anti-sabotage and anti espionage techniques.

ENGLISHMAN COMMENTS ON AMERICAN FOOD

Pure Vermont maple syrup (unadulterated) is heartily endorsed by Lord Marley who was guest speaker at Castleton, February 18. This was revealed in an interview granted two *Birdseye* staff members. He also likes Boston baked beans (if baked for three days), considers Maine potatoes far superior to Idaho potatoes, and thoroughly dislikes Philadelphia Scrapple.

Lord Marley has one son, age 27, who is a Captain in the British Marines. Though severely wounded at the evacuation of Crete, and hospitalized in Egypt for four months, his son has now returned to duty. Prior to the war he spent a year in Hollywood with M. G. M. working on the production of films. When peace has been effected, he would like to bring his wife who is at present employed in a factory for the manufacture of films, to America to live.

Since Lord Marley's London home which was built in 1660 was badly damaged by bombs, he and his Scottish wife are living at present in their country home in Sussex.

SCHOOL CELEBRATES DIAMOND JUBILEE

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graduating classes, students, faculty members, together with bulletins, circulates, letters and old commencement programs.

James A. Keech is chairman of the student-faculty committee with Miss Ewald, Mr. Arnold, Arlene Stockwell, Elizabeth Sargent, Helen Bertolino, and Francis Moriarity as members of the committee.



NORMA BAILEY
Junior Class Representative

SOPHOMORES GO STUDENT TEACHING

Castleton Grades 1 and 2	M. Smith
Fair Haven Main Street 2	J. Bueche
Main Street 6	E. Curran
Scotch Hill	K. Ryan
West Castleton Rural	N. Bessette
Rutland East School	B. Brown
Cheney Hill	L. Johnson
Haiti	A. Suneson
Sherburne Village school	H. Comes
Tinmouth South School	B. Weeks
Ira Hopefield	L. Eagan
Clarendon Flats Flats	B. Wood
East Wallingford Village	A. McCann
Cuttingsville Village	C. Benjamin
Wilder Christian St.	V. Renehan
West Hartford West Hartford	P. Howard
Pownal Central	E. Murray
Cornwall No. 1	F. Douglas
Weybridge No. 2	M. Gingras
Bristol South School	B. Bouvier
Mendon Sunnyside	A. Lenoci
Hubbardton Turnpike	M. Cassidy

STUDENTS AND FACULTY TO ATTEND CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY

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sion for the Defense of Democracy Through Education are the main features. Dancing under the direction of the students and faculty of the State Teachers College, Danbury, Connecticut will follow.

The conference closes Saturday morning with an address by Dr. Ambrose L. Suhrie, and a summary of Friday's discussions.

CHAPELS

A representative from the Agriculture Extension Service, University of Vermont brought to the students of C. N. S. the importance of Vermont of the maple industry in an illustrated talk, Feb. 16. Photographs showing ideal sugar orchards, syrup houses and the process of making maple sugar products added interest to the lecture.

Brotherhood week furnished the theme of the chapel program February 20. A group under the direction of Rhoda Pratt, with Perry Mayo as chairman, read selections on that topic. The students who participated were Lenord Dordick, Beverly Wood, Helen Jamieson, Joseph Solari, Elizabeth Sargent, and Rita Langdon.

Dr. Bogue, President of Green Mountain Jr. College shared his several trips through Mexico with C. N. S. students Feb. 23. An amateur photographer as well as lecturer and college president, Dr. Bogue made his own pictures but had them colored by a Mexican artist to insure accuracy and perfection. The slides included pictures of old Mexico and new Mexico. These pictures gave a striking contrast of Mexico as it was years ago and as it is now.

Beautification of rural schools was portrayed very vividly by Miss Grace Fisher who believes that the appearance of schools is a vital factor in education and that much of responsibility for improvement rests on the shoulders of the teachers.

North Breton school pupils were the guests of C. N. S. at a movie of South America, February 27. The program was in charge of Edward Curran and sponsored by the International Relations Club.

Physical education for women as it was seventy-five years ago was brought to light in a program sponsored by the Athletic Association, March 13. Five freshmen girls demonstrated the voluminous dress and the formality of the teaching when C. N. S. was in infancy. Perry Mayo, Helen King, Eleanor Wilson and Glen Maynard showed how practical and informal physical education classes in C. N. S. are today.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON MUSIC

The Romantic spirit in music, art and literature will be presented in an illustrated lecture by Mr. Lewis J. Hathaway, Professor Emeritus of Music, Middlebury College, Thursday afternoon, April 2.

Professor Hathaway has been an integral part of the musical life of Vermont for half a century. He is a native Vermonter and an artist of note. He was graduated from the New England Conservatory of Music and studied in Berlin and Paris in addition to attending Juillard and Harvard Summer Schools of Music. Middlebury College has enjoyed his services as professor of music and head of the department since 1916. In 1938 he served as President of the Vermont Student Orchestra Association, member of the Committee of the Federal Music Project under the Works Project Administration and conductor of the Vermont Student Chorus.

Mr. Hathaway is well-known to Castleton faculty, students, and towns-people who anticipate his visit.

BREVITIES

During his stay in Burlington March 13 and 14, Mr. Scott saw Miss Mary Wilson. She is very busy working for the Red Cross, but took time out to send her best regards to everyone here at Castleton.

Sophomore student-teachers are "in the field." Among those living at home are Paulina Howard, Marilda Gingras, Helen Comes, Bessie Weeks, Barbara Bouvier, Frances Douglass, Emma Murray, Norma Bessette, Virginia Renehan. The reports are that "it's fun but work". Frances Douglass is having her vacation this week.

Helen Jamieson spent the weekend of March 14 with Anna Lenoci in Rutland.

Helen King and Norma Betts spent the weekend of March 14 at Norma's home in New Haven.

Spring must really be here—Theresa Cheney and Frances Naatz have been out for the first bike rides this season.

Anita Wilder and Ruth Squiers are ahead in the hiking marathon. Congratulations!

The roller-skating Saturday was a huge success as shown by the attendance at both sessions. It was thoroughly enjoyed by more than 25 during the afternoon and evening. Both amateurs and experts displayed their skills.

Mrs. Bueche recently spent a couple of days with Jane, to get acquainted with life in the dormitory.

Marion Plumb attended the afternoon and evening games of the class A tournament in Burlington, Saturday, March 14.

Mrs. Curran spent the weekend of March 6 with Rhoda and Edward and attended the varsity vs alumni basketball game.

Miss Markham spent Saturday in Montpelier where she met with a committee of music supervisors and representatives of the State Department of Education, who are working on a revision of the State Course of Study in Music.

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Well, girls, spring is here! Perhaps this statement doesn't belong in the sports column, but it's an idea. Get your gang and aim to win the prize in the Walkathon to California. Certainly there are many places to go with Hooker's Ledge and Lake Bomoseen as fair examples. Doesn't that do anything to you?

This trip to California sponsored by the Athletic Association and Hiking club is well underway. Joe Solari and Lennie Johnson think they have practically won the prize already. How about this, Miss Black and Miss Morrill? Don't let these two fellows get ahead of you. Competition will also be furnished by Rhoda Pratt. Jean Smith, Anita Wilder and Ruth Squiers have six-hundred-miles to their credit already. Everyone should start now, because California is a long distance you know, and can't be reached in one night.

Was over to the gym the other day and who came tearing in but Stewie and Ferol Keech. They had ceased to be friends for a while because they were playing off a badminton set. All of these sets haven't been played yet, but by the next issue we promise to announce the winners of the tournament. Incidentally, Stewie is the winner of the table tennis tournament for the girls with Joe Solari in possession of the honors for the boys.

Last Monday Green Mountain Jr. College played host to the girls from Castleton Normal School. What did we do? We bowled, played basketball and badminton. Even though our hosts walked away with most of the honors, we had a swell time trying and we hope the Poultney girls will invite us again. We can't offer them bowling but we can supply badminton, tennis games and a royal welcome. These exchange visits afford wonderful opportunities for the girls to see what is done with girls' sports in other schools.

How about a bicycle tour for May? The lake road would furnish a perfect practice ride. With preliminary rides to get us in trim, a 2 or 3 day trip for Decoration Day weekend would offer a swell holiday. Who will join me?

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SPORTS FOR MEN

C. N. S. opened the Winter Carnival with a 45-31 victory over the Alumni Friday, February 13th at the gym. The Alumni took a first quarter lead and held it throughout the first half. The score at half time was 15-13 for the Alumni.

The second half saw the varsity opening a scoring spree which proved too much for the Alumni. In the final period the Alumni were held to 3 points while the varsity scored 13. Moriarity led the scoring with 25 points while Curran caged 10.

Again on Sat., March 7th, the Alumni invaded the local court only to be turned back 28 to 20 by the varsity. The Alumni had a stronger team consisting of Don Grace, Alex Listzwan, Al Royce, George Sparks, and Harold Gibbs but the varsity was on its mettle.

The first quarter was slow with little scoring. In the second stanza the Alumni took the lead and was ahead at half time 13-8. The third quarter saw Curran finding the net to set the pace for the varsity. Mayo and Whalen played a good defensive game while Curran with 15 points and Moriarity with 8 led the scoring. Grace and Gibbs starred for the Alumni.

This was the last C. N. S. game for Glen Maynard and Fran Moriarity who have played in every game for four years.

Returning as veterans next year will be Curran, Solari, Mayo, Whalen, Coleman, Williams and McCormick.

The Castleton Independents defeated the Rutland Mercury Club Feb. 25th in Rutland.

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FACULTY MEMBERS
ATTEND BANQUET

Speaking to members of the Women-Teachers' Club at their annual spring dinner held in conjunction with the Champlain Valley conference, the Honorable John S. Fisher, Chairman of the State Board of Education urged that women look out for themselves by pulling together and taking a definite stand for achievement.

The general theme of the meeting was of patriotic nature. Miss Florence A. Black of Castleton Normal School is the State President of the organization and presided at the dinner which was held at Hotel Vermont.

LOOKING BACKWARD
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Leavenworth Hall, for the first time. That was another big stride forward for Castleton.

After that, I sort of lost track until year before last when I returned for the banquet in honor of Dr. Woodruff. I'll never forget the beautiful white flowers and green ferns, the shining candle light and the high white three-tiered cake with all of its candles gleaming in honor of the leaders who have made the school what it is. Miss Black lighted the candle representing Dr. Woodruff's nineteen years of service and told of her courage, unfailing energy, and bright vision in building the school from the ruins of the fire to a plant with four buildings. Glenbrook became a part of the school that year—and the gymnasium was completed—more tangible evidence of progress.

And now this banquet tonight—a diamond jubilee celebration . . . It makes me feel like proposing a toast, so here goes:

To Castleton Normal School, to her leaders, past, present, and future, whose vision has made her great; to her alumni, whose loyalty has kept her strong; to her students, whose energy has made her powerful; and to her friends, whose interest has kept her purposeful! May she look back with pride and satisfaction on seventy-five years of growth and development. May she look forward with new hope, fresher courage, and brighter dreams, to the next seventy-five years of even greater achievements!

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Dr. Stratemeyer Visits C. N. S.

Dr. Florence B. Stratemeyer, Teacher's College, Columbia University made professional visits to each of the State Normal Schools and the College of Education at the University of Vermont during the week of April 13. While at Castleton, she visited the demonstration schools, classes at the Normal School, and consulted with faculty and students.

In an address to the group in a special assembly Wednesday, Dr. Stratemeyer said, "Teachers must be three fold persons. First, the teacher must be a fine individual; second, a fine citizen; and third, a worthy member of the profession."

A fine individual sets up and lives by principles and standards. He has fundamental integrity. Breadth of experience helps the individual extend the horizons of other people. Variety of experience, travel and reading newspapers and good literature gives the individual understanding and vision.

The characteristics of a fine citizen are portrayed by the fine individual who is willing to be an active worker in his community. "This does not mean that you fail to live there." The teacher can not be a nine to four o'clock person, nor can he be a weekend teacher. He studies the problems of the community; he participates in the activities as an individual rather than as a teacher. Boys and girls are understood only when seen in their environment and in their home background.

"Teaching is much more than knowing techniques." A teacher needs to recognize where each child is and to know where it is that boys and girls are headed. The chief purpose of teaching is to help the child "grow in ability to act on thinking." Then, he must be given a chance to think. This is far removed from the recitation period of years ago when the pupil recited the text book in answer to the teacher's questions.

A fine teacher learns to know the parents
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PEOPLE PLEDGE TO BUY STAMPS AND BONDS

People of Castleton, and every other town, village and city in the United States were canvassed on Sunday, April 19. The purpose of the canvass was to give the government an idea of how much is being invested in stamps and bonds, and how much they can depend upon for the duration of the war. People were asked to make a pledge as to the amount that they would spend during the war period.

People all over the country responded very well to this canvas. In the town of Castleton alone, there were 272 people visited, and there was \$20,240.40 pledged for the duration of the war.

BONNIE



Bonnie Margaret Scott, age twenty-seven months, the only daughter of Principal and Mrs. Ermo Scott, already shows much interest in art and literature. At the present time, Bonnie enjoys drawing cats and saying nursery rhymes, changing them at her own will. We are looking forward to having Bonnie as Editor of the Birdseye in 1960.

BILLY



Billy Foley Jr., age fourteen months, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Foley, Rutland Vermont. His father has supervised the printing of every issue of the Birdseye which has been published.

Young Billy has been occupied learning to walk and cutting two back teeth, but when questioned as to whether or not he would accept the contract for printing the Birdseye in 1962, he replied "da-da," which translated into English means, "I am looking forward to it!"

DEAN'S LIST

Twelve percent of the school make the Dean's list for the third marking period, with 10% of the school incomplete and 4% on probation.

The school average was 2.61. The average for the men was 2.51 and for the women 2.70. The boarding men's average was 2.66 and the boarding women's average was 2.71. The commuting men received an average of 2.27 and the commuting women 2.62. The average of boarding students as a whole was 2.68 as compared to the commuters' average of 2.44, Philip's House average of 2.78 and Leavenworth Hall's average of 2.71.

The students comprising the Dean's list are:

Seniors

Edward Fish, Helen Hall, Bertha Hineckley, Dorothy Kerrigan, Betty Moran

Juniors

Norma Bailey, Arlene Carpenter, Josephine Hineckley, Katherine Howard, Alma Meader, Carlita Phelps, Rhoda Pratt, Elizabeth Sargent, Gertrude Wheeler.

Sophomores

Clarice Benjamin, Jane Baeche, Eileen Eaton, Elaine Jacobs, Anita Wilder.

Freshmen

Barbara Atwood, Marguerite Blakeslee, Gladys Clark, Alice Kinsman, Marian Plumb, Neville Scott, Dorothy Snow.

Part-time Students

Beatrice Graziano, Molly Mumford.

Students And Faculty Attend Tri-County

Andrew J. Boratis, President of the Southwestern Tri-County Association, opened the twenty-third annual meeting held in the Rutland High School Auditorium, Rutland, April 17, 1942, with an address stressing the vital need of integration for defense, now and tomorrow which was the theme of the conference.

The Vermont Council of Safety was represented by Albert A. Cree, executive vice-chairman, who told of the work of the Council and of its importance to education. He stated that the three main functions of the Council are to get up patterns for civilian defense organizations; to provide means of bringing timely warnings in case of air raids; and to give all the people a knowledge of what individuals should know and do for self protection.

Commissioner Ralph E. Noble, principal speaker of the morning, emphasized the need for remembering the fundamental principles underlying education during the present crisis and the importance of equality of educational opportunity for all. He expressed confidence in the fact that the youth of America are prepared to make contributions to improve their way of life.

Speakers in the group conferences were Miss Dorothy E. Wheatley, Consultant in Elementary Science, East Orange, New Jersey, Public Schools; Mr. Joseph B. Johnson, Chairman, Springfield School Board; Mr. Hugh J. Williams, General Secretary, Vermont Church Council; and Mr. Clarence E. Akerstrom, Professor, Green Mountain College, formerly instructor, University of Nanking.

Following the afternoon business meeting, Mr. Earl Schenck presented a lecture with an all color motion picture of feature length of the South Sea Islands, and of Tahiti, in particular.

Miss Jennie Allingham, State Helping Teacher, was honored with a life membership in the National Education Association. Miss Margaret Hoytt, Principal Longfellow School, Rutland made the presentation.

Officers for the ensuing year, elected at the business meeting, are: President, Mr. S. Donald Miner, Superintendent, Orwell; Vice President, Mrs. Florence Wood, Bennington; Secretary, Mrs. Ralph Lidstone, Wallingford; Treasurer, Mr. Marcus Gorham, Brandon; Auditor, Mr. Frederick W. Wallace, Superintendent, Poultney; and Chairman of Executive Committee, Mr. Jesse E. Sunderland, Poultney.

STUDENTS AND FACULTY RATION SUGAR

Students and faculty of Castleton Normal School will ration sugar in conjunction with the national program.

Superintendent Frank O. Stiles conducted a meeting at the Castleton Graded School to instruct registrars who will help to ration sugar in the school, May 4, 5, and 6. Merchants and organizations and retailers will register at the Castleton Normal School, Tuesday, April 28. All individuals will register May 4, 5, and 6.

Students who will assist in the rationing of sugar are; Alma Meader, Frances Stewart, Betty Sargent, Helen Hall, Gertrude Wheeler, Carlita Phelps, Josephine Hineckley, and Bertha Hineckley.

I. R. C. TO MEET WITH GREEN MT.

Six delegates, accompanied by Mr. Hokns, I.R.C. adviser from Green Mountain Jr. College International club met with the Castleton I.R.C. club Wednesday night, April 15, to make plans and select a topic for a joint I.R.C. meeting.

Several topics were suggested and it was decided that a joint meeting would be held at Castleton May 13th with a discussion of the question, "Is America doing her share in the present war?" This main topic will be divided into three sub topics, "War Production," "Military Strategy," and "Post War Peace Plans," with a co-chairman from each school leading the discussion.

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THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS

In a democracy, the process by which laws are made or changed is one in which each individual has a right and duty to participate. But accompanying this privilege and opportunity is the responsibility of understanding both sides of the situation and of realizing the value of the change. Even in our small school, changes can and have been made democratically. The question of wearing socks was settled by stating the benefits to be received and through appealing to the proper authorities. Likewise, the rules for using the rejuvenated Sports Room were determined by the democratic process. After each had presented his arguments, the proper steps were initiated to decide new rules which would have the consent of all.

Education has the task of carrying out the principles of the democratic process, and we, as a part of the set-up, must do our share in fulfilling the implications of it. As the time draws near for election of officers, we must remember this and choose our leaders from those who have shown wider vision, higher ideals, and who have inspired our respect and confidence.

As we endeavor to mould a school in which democracy is made efficient and effective, we must be careful to weigh the value of every step we make and to be certain before we approve any course of action that all factors both pro and con have been considered. We cannot afford to make "democracy" and the "democratic process" idle terms by which we may accomplish our own selfish ends. Our elders responsible for national affairs have been guilty of this in stalling off major issues until they can return to their home front and garner more votes. But we must rise above such tactics so that those who follow us may do so without any apology.

BIRDSEYE MEMBERS AIR VIEWS

The members of the Birdseye Staff are always alert to the current problems which are facing their institution. At the present time they are intensely interested in the effort which is being made by the faculty and cooperating superintendents, to revise the present curriculum of the Normal Schools to meet more adequately the needs of a Rural School Teacher.

In a staff meeting we took a whack at the problem. Since all four classes are represented in our group we feel that our outlook is fairly representative of the student body as a whole. We realize that our experience is limited in facing the problem but we had fun airing our views.

Since we are in a rural state and all of us will become teachers in a rural school the first suggestion given was that science, with particular emphasis on agriculture should be given a larger place in our training. Methods courses seem to have taken a back seat in recent years but we who have struggled with percentage and interest and have found ourselves in water over our heads with reading skills and habits feel that something should be done in these lines. The Ancient Egyptians, Babylonians, Greeks and Romans have assumed much greater importance since some of us found ourselves in the embarrassing position of knowing less about them than the boys and girls with whom we were working. This convinces us that a good background course in World History is among the essentials. To be intelligent participants in a rural community we need to have an integrated course in Sociology, and Economics which will include actual experience working in a rural community as part of the course requirements. There should be a closer relationship between the work which the students have in Normal School and in the schools where they have their student teaching. It should be possible for the teachers to whom students are sent to prepare themselves to carry greater responsibility in guiding the young teachers-in-training. It is observable that the teachers who have recently been enrolled in school either as regular or part-time students are much closer to the student, more ready and willing to give them help which is essential to them and show greater concern over any weakness the student exhibits. After all it is the day by day supervision that will count most in learning to become a good teacher.

THE DIARY OF A
MERE PRINCIPAL

Monday, April 6

Up at 5:30 with hurried breakfast in Leavenworth kitchen. Off for Brattleboro at seven o'clock on icy roads. Surprised Joe Wiggin as he did not expect travel from the North until two hours after date set. Interviewed B.H.S. students. Learned valuable lesson from Freshman who has circulated letter from me among classmates on proposed courses for teaching. Must always write with that idea in mind. Showed slides at St. Michael's. Well liked. College much more clear to them. Enjoyed hospitality. Afternoon at Townsend. Little interest in teaching exhibited. Called on Gibbie. He was eloquently interpreting standard test results given to upper grades. In evening interviewed C.N.S. alumnus returning for fourth year. Lunch with Supt. Powers at his home. Always find a friendly atmosphere at Hotel Brooks where I spent the night.

Tuesday, April 7

Over the mountain after early breakfast to Wilmington, Jacksonville and Bennington. Ed Boak and I spoke at the Wilmington assembly and gave slides to Juniors and Seniors. Interviewed five prospectives. Remembered terrific blizzard on same trip last year. Wilmington students never miss points in humorous stories. Spring vacation here depends on time of sap run. Shared Ed's lunch at Jacksonville with soup from Hot Lunch added. At Bennington interviewed and was interviewed by a local student reporter on my knowledge of state educational affairs. Drove right along to get to faculty seminar at Glen, 7:30, on the curriculum. Free discussion with refreshments at 9:30.

Tuesday, April 14

Started as usual with electrical and plumbing complaints. State advises that all fuel for next year must be bought and stored. Inspected coal bins. Must rebuild two. Where did I find the cubic measure for a ton of hard coal? Requisition eight cars. Routine correspondence. Advised NO TIRES for college use. All service on lawn mowers discontinued. Must order parts to do own repairing. Will work on sugar rationing. Miss C. reports students delinquent in filing time reports. 1942-'43 budget checked and problems adjusted. No more money this year. Home in time to greet Prof. Swan of G.M.J.C. and a few minutes of conversation. Men's Club supper at Grange Hall, 6:30. Heard a part of Swan's material on guidance at his college. Good stuff. To Meadowbrook at 8:30, P.T.A. discussion on sugar, and Child and Community. Prosperous club with treasury balance. An industrious group. Home at 10:30 and finished preparation at 1:30 for Stratemeyer's visitation.

ATTENTION MOVIE FANS

Students of Castleton Normal School voted to support the movies if the school bought a machine. The last picture which was shown had an audience of twenty two. The question is where were the other hundred?

It is very apparent that there is some reason for such a lack of enthusiasm. Some say it is because they cannot hear well. If this is the case there must be something that can be done about it. How can we find out the story behind all of this? We certainly can't do it by getting together in a corner and whispering some thing to the effect that we won't go to the movies because we can't hear. Let's first get out our science books and find out what is causing this difficulty. After we have found out the reason for the trouble, we can go ahead and investigate the possibilities for remedying it. It is true that it probably will cost money to improve the acoustics of the auditorium. It is true the school is state property. We know there is no public money available for this purpose now and we want to enjoy movies. We must remember that there are ways of raising money. When we know what can be done and what the cost will be, perhaps the classes and organizations would like to contribute to the fund. A food sale brings in cash and we all like to eat. A tag day would help and we all like to wear badges. These are only suggestions but there is no harm in thinking about these things so let's get our heads together and solve this problem. If there are other reasons for the lack of enthusiasm, let's see what they are, and do something about them.

We appreciate the effort which has been put forth by Mr. Scott and the committee to give us movies. Now let's help to make the project succeed. When we get the sound defects corrected we will be able to invite the outside folk in to help support the project. More patrons, more receipts; more cash, better films.

BIRDSEYE REPORTER
INTERVIEWS VISITOR

"No, I have never taught in a rural school. That is one of the experiences that I missed" said Dr. Stratemeyer in an interview with a Birdseye reporter. I have visited many of them she added.

Dr. Stratemeyer was graduated first from a two year normal school, then from Western State Teachers College in Kalamazoo, Michigan, her home state.

Her graduate work was done in Teacher's College, Columbia University where she has remained as a member of the faculty.

For several years Dr. Stratemeyer and Dr. Bruner headed the department of Curriculum Study. Later she was associated with Dr. Thos. Alexander in New College. She is now working in the field of teacher education.

Dr. Stratemeyer enjoys hiking and reading, especially detective stories. "You can think of little else while you are reading one of them."

STUDENTS SEE NEW YORK

Dear Sue,

Here I am just home from the Eastern States Conference for Teacher Education. I have thought of you many times during these few days and wish that you had been with me. Every student should be able to attend such a meeting. There is something stimulating about it that is difficult to describe. Probably the crowds, the numbers of people just like us, and the friendly atmosphere at the convention have much to do with the inspiration.

It is interesting just to watch these students and listen to their reactions to problems, discussions, or questions. At one of the panels Friday there was some discussion about the status of a teacher in the community. Two points of view were expressed by the leaders, one, that she would be expected to participate, and two, that she would not be accepted as a member of the community. This led to the idea that a teacher need not be an ideal, but has a right to her own life and should exercise that right.

Possibly this idea of personal privilege is an outgrowth of student participation in governing and controlling their activities while in college. The fact that Student Senates and Councils played an important part in the program illustrates the point that they are quite universally accepted. As the discussion progressed there was evidence that schools have individual differences and must be treated as such, even as persons.

It seemed to me as I sat at the banquet that those people who have remarked that they have not as much faith in young people today as in those a generation ago should have looked in upon that group. Probably I am prejudiced but to me they seemed like a pretty fine group of young folk, earnest, intelligent, alive and alert to the world of which they are a part.

Outside of the conference we had interesting and revealing experiences. If I tell you everything that we did you will be all out of breath so, just a few highlights. After we had seen "Arsenic and Old Lace" our guides apparently wished to walk off any possible nervous effects. You remember in the play, the General "charges" on every occasion; our "General" constantly urged us forward with CHARGE! I doubt if any of us worried

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SPORTS ROOM
REJUVENATED

A gala opening of the new sports room, with sixty people, faculty, students and staff attending, was held Thursday, April 23. Table tennis, bingo, Dig, and cards were played and refreshments consisting of candies and cookies were served.

The room, which has been newly plastered in ivory has the color scheme of brown, blue and yellow. Sunshine yellow curtains with blue cactus motif hang at the windows, and blue pillows are conveniently placed on chairs and sofas, a cabinet Crosley radio which was donated by Mr. Scott occupies the center of interest.

A committee chairmaned by Betty Sargent, of the Student Cooperative association worked to remodel and rejuvenate this new sports room in Leavenworth Hall.



VIOLA PERRY



STANLEY OFFENSEND

An informal announcement has been made of the coming marriage of Viola Jane Perry '41, to Stanley Offensend '41. The maid of honor will be Ferol Keech '42, and the best man will be Alfred Henebry '40. The wedding, which will be a private one will take place May 30.

CHAPELS

Dr. Caroline S. Woodruff spoke to the Castleton Normal School students on her recent trip to California. The main feature of the trip was the N.E.A. Convention in California. She left Vermont the day after Christmas, making the jaunt by auto with friends, stopping in Florida for a brief visit with relatives, then motoring across the continent to San Francisco where she attended the convention. The trip back to Vermont was made by train and she arrived in Castleton, March 20.

"Civilian Defense and Protection" was the topic of Mr. Koltonski's talk in chapel, April 20. Mr. Koltonski, Chief of Rutland Fire Dep't says in reference to the war and air-raids that "it can happen here." There are three reasons why Vermont might be the target for bombs. First, there are two main railroads through the state, second, Vermont contains some very vital industrial cities, and third, it is the main thoroughfare to Schenectady and several other large cities containing industries vital to war. He showed charts on methods of bombing and types of bombs and gave some timely advice on ways to prevent casualties during air-raids. He also discussed types and effects of some poisonous gases.

In an informal discussion the representatives who attended the Eastern States Conference in New York City, gave the students an insight into the group conferences which each representative attended. Helen Hall, Norma Bailey, Jane Beuche and Aleda White presented this program.

Mr. Arnold showed the colored slides which he has made of many activities carried on at C.N.S. These slides will be shown at the high schools to show the picturesque and colorful side of life at school.

The pupils of the Castleton Corners school presented a minstrel show which was organized by their teacher Miss Spooner, March 20. A silver collection was taken to add to their fund for a new victrola.

COMMUTERS
REMODEL ROOM

Spring vacation was no idle period for commuting women students. Their room bears testimony of their energy, interest and artistic ability.

The walls of the main room have been painted yellow with white woodwork. The radiators have been repainted, and curtains tie-dyed in tones of blue have been hung at the windows. All the furniture has been repainted in blue and white. The powder room is being redone in two shades of apricot.

When completed the room will have a kitchen enclosure with a border of pineapple design and there will be cushions of blue leatherette and tie-dyed material to match the curtains. A copy of an Indian print in blue, yellow and orange will serve as a focus in the central panel against the west wall, while a map of North and South America will serve as a wall piece on the north wall.

The Birdseye takes off its hat to the women Commuters whose motto seems to be, "If you would be well served, serve yourself, not leave it to others."

STUDENTS GET POSITIONS

As of April 17th no member of the senior class had committed himself to the bonds of a contract. Seven Juniors and four Sophomores have accepted positions for next year.

Here are the new addresses:

Juniors

Carlita Phelps, Central School, Goshen; Eleanor Wilson, Wilmington; Josephine M. Hinckley, Upper Grades, Benson; Arlene Carpenter, Randolph Center; Katherine Howard, Shoreham Center, Shoreham; Dorothy Smith, Pomfret; Gertrude Wheeler, Bresee Mills School, Brandon.

Sophomores

Emma Belle Murrey, Paddock School, Pownal; Bessie Weeks, Gulf School, Tinmouth; Anelle McCann, Hortonville; Clarice Benjamin, Healdville.

RURAL YOUTH NEEDED
ON FARMS

The Department of Agriculture has issued a warning that we in the United States face the most serious farm labor shortage in our history. Governor Wills, acting on this information has sent letters out to certain members of Vermont communities asking them to form neighborhood Victory Committees to cope with farm and home problems arising out of the present situation. These committees will include one man and woman for each ten to fifteen farms who will stand ready to make contacts with each farm family.

These meetings are vital at this time as they make complete coverage of the farmer's problems and needs which can be referred to the Vermont Extension Service.

Meeting a local Castleton committee of six organizers Mr. Bergstrom, county agent, told of the number of farm owners selling their farms to go into defense industries. At a time when production should be fifteen or twenty per cent more than normal, it is below average due to the movement off the farm to the army and defense centers. City-bred college boys have offered their services but this does not solve the problem. The emergency was not foreseen and is at the present time so far advanced that what is needed is action on the part of rural youth.

It is a splendid opportunity for rural born young men who are rejected for armed service for any reason, for those under selective service age, and for rural girls and women to come to the aid of their state and to engage in an activity that is as vital to defense as making guns or bombers.

Dorothy Thompson in a recent Survey Graphic said, "The value of work must today be measured by its necessity to the salvation of the nation. And so there enters into work the spirit of sacrifice, of the free gift. This element of giving is the essence of freedom. Democracy is a hollow phrase without sharing—the sharing of duties, the sharing of one's little self with the great whole. Sharing through taxation is not enough. What is needed are people willing to invest themselves in the community. This investment of oneself occurs when anyone does more than he is paid to do in any form of work for the common good."

This summer is going to find farmers all over Vermont and throughout the country in urgent need of help. We, at Castleton have a rural background and could make vital contribution. More of us should make out addresses R.F.D. instead of Springfield during the vacation.

We miss you, Clara, and hope that you are feeling much better. Everyone is looking forward to your return. Our best wishes to you for a speedy recovery—and fun while you are doing it.

BREVITIES

Leavenworth Hall is full once again, after the return of the sophomore student teachers. Among those who stayed home during student teaching are; Christine Pratt, Ellen McGinn, Theresa Cheney, Mae Grano, Margaret Burgess, Betty Rudd, Jean Smith and Ruth Squires.

Mae Badger, a former student of C.N.S. spent the weekend of April 25 with Aleta White.

Many have received letters from Ed Hart and "Windy"—why not answer these letters? Let's make the boys happy by letting them know that we are behind them.

Carroll Halem of Dartmouth spent the weekend of April 25 with Arlene Carpenter.

DR. STRATEMEYER VISITS C. N. S.

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of his pupils. He invites them to visit the school, meets them in community activities and calls at their homes.

"The process by which we work is quite as important as the end product." This may be goals worked out with the child, goals that he recognizes as his own.

Records kept of large areas such as health, work habits, social adjustments, use of the English language, and an understanding of social problems, serve as data for informal notes to the parents on the growth of their child. A more accurate picture of the pupil's progress and development may thus be presented to the parent than the old type A-B-C or 1-2-3-4 report card gave.

In a world crisis such as this, college students are tempted to leave school with a minimum of training, or to go into other fields of work. "Being really able teachers is the greatest contribution you can make. Stay four years."

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

What's wrong with the marathon participants? As the paper goes to press Jennie Hull of the Freshman Class has traveled the farthest. Jennie has arrived at Yellowstone National Park and has covered an area of 5216 miles. Alice Kinsman, also of the Freshman Class, is close behind her and has walked 4100 miles. Ferol Keech, Anita Wilder, and Ruth Squires are proving close competitors. Where are the rest of the student body? Say, how would you like to see a member of the Faculty win the Marathon? It's not impossible you know; Miss Hale, Miss Kelly and Miss Ewald are offering a stiff competition and we'll never live it down if they do walk off with the title.

Volley Ball seems to be the chief high-light in the Freshman and Sophomore Phys. Ed. classes. We hear the Seniors are using their recreation period to learn advanced First-Aid. How's it going? As much fun as the folk dances?

How soon will the tennis courts be in condition to play on? Say, girls, as soon as weather permits, how about getting out and whacking that ball around and getting into shape. You know it wouldn't be a bad idea to play off a few games with the girls from Green Mountain.

Say, who's the badminton champ? Or haven't you decided yet? Let's get busy and see if the new queen can't be crowned by commencement time anyway.

Let's make last these few weeks full of fun by participating in all the sports available to us.

PAST-PRESIDENTS' DAY

The annual get-together of past presidents of classes and school organizations is slated for Saturday, May 2, with Ethel Toth Houser '38 as chairman of the committee on arrangements. Roger Blood '34 will act as Toastmaster with Olive Harwood Dern '30 as song leader. The secretary of the group is Rose Hillis Chase '33, the treasurer is Betty Moran '42.

Luncheon will be served to the group at 1:00 o'clock with the program following.

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SPORTS FOR MEN

Two former athletes of C.N.S. are now serving in the armed forces of the United States.

Edward Hart, who came to us from Niagara Falls, New York, left school in June '41 after completing the two year course. While at Castleton, Ed held number one position on the tennis team and played guard on the varsity basketball team for two years. He was a leading figure in winter sports; acting as manager of skating for one year, and in '41 he was chosen king of the winter carnival. Ed is now an aviation cadet stationed at the advanced training school in Avon Park Florida.

Wendel Bartholemew, of Benson, Vt., a classmate of Hart left school in June '41, after completing a two year course. At Castleton, Wendel played varsity basketball, and was also active in winter sports. "Windy" was the star in intermural football at C.N.S. Duty called Wendel early in April, he is now stationed at Camp in Louisiana.

In the field of professional sports we find many of yesterdays stars and champions serving in the armed forces. Joe Lewis, Hank Greenberg, Billy Conn, and Tommy Harmon are now in the army, and in the navy we find Gene Tunney, Bob Feller, Man-Mountain Dean, and Fred Apostoli.

April 14, marked the opening of the 1942 major league baseball season. The New York Yanks seem to be the favorites, so the Birdseye picks them as the strongest team in the American League.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Several alumni attended the Freshman Dance April 25. Harold Gibbs, '41, Mary Eleanor Huno, '40, Vera Slack, '41, Ruth Moore, '41, Sandy Beratta, '39.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Nicholas are the proud parents of a baby boy born April 9. Mrs. Nicholas was formerly Sylvia Fenn, '40.

STUDENTS SEE NEW YORK

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about the dead men in the cellar when we finally reached our rooms.

Because we had traveled among the buildings of Radio City, had watched the ice skating in the sunken rink, it was exciting to finally enter Music Hall, which we had heard of so often. The beauty and expansiveness of the place has to be seen and felt. There is no description that can picture a theater seating 7000 people and possessing a stage that moves up and down, forward or backward, offers perfect vision and acoustics from every angle. In the Easter pageant we heard Rudinstein's "Kammenoi Ostrow" with the entire Music Hall Ensemble. As for "Reap the Wild Wind," I was glad it was afternoon. I do not like octopuses and reptiles, but for mass production and historical value, be sure to see it.

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine gave me a feeling of awe. Built of stone, huge, massive, and formal, it made me realize the vastness of worship and the smallness of me. We were interested to notice that most of the people who were there appeared to be from the middle income group.

A few of the less time taking events include a visit to the Planetarium, where I almost broke my neck gazing at the constellations, a broadcast from the Barbizon Plaza hotel, a few minutes in the Public Library, and a short visit to the New York Museum where we looked at colonial America and saw an exhibit of Rembrandt's paintings. None of these deserve such meager treatment, but if I go on you will think that I am trying to sell you the place. I am. I like it and want to go again.

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Prominent Lecturer Visits C. N. S.

Thomas Russell Ybarra, authority on Latin American and European affairs, will speak at the Castleton Normal School auditorium Friday, May 15. His discussion will concern "Latin America Tomorrow."

Mr. Ybarra was a Latin-American correspondent of the New York Times for many years and was, for seven years, European Editor for Collier's. Then for a year he served as news commentator for the National Broadcasting Company. At present, he is devoting all his time to writing and lecturing on international affairs.

Most of Mr. Ybarra's boyhood was spent in Caracas, Venezuela, although he was born in Boston, Mass. and returned there for his preparatory school and college training. After his graduation from Harvard, he became a reporter for the New York Times and he went to Germany as Berlin correspondent where he remained for two years. He was then transferred to London but the following year received a roving commission which took him throughout Europe and to Egypt, Asia and Latin America. In 1931 he began a seven-year job as European editor for Collier's, at the conclusion of which he went back to the Times' foreign staff, and was assigned to South America. A collection of his articles on South America has been published with the title "America Faces South."

He has written other books, one of which, "Bolivar, the Passionate Warrior," is soon to be produced as a movie. His other books are "Hindenberg, the Man with Three Lives" and "Young Man of Caracas" which was the Book of the Month selection for November last. The latter is the story of Mr. Ybarra's life and an account of his mother, a Boston belle and descendant of Miles Standish, and his Venezuelan father.

Mr. Ybarra's lecture will present the current state of affairs as he interprets it and gives additional information on the struggle for world domination.

CASTLETON STUDENT PRESENTS OPERETTA

Miss Eleanor McLaughlin, former student of C.N.S., who is now teaching at the Plymouth Teachers College in Plymouth, New Hampshire, has recently presented the operetta "Hansel and Gretel."

She will present a chorus concert May 14. This will include vocal and instrumental solos, unison singing and selections by the school orchestra. All grades will participate in this exhibition of the work which they have been doing in music. This will demonstrate the ability and effort which Miss McLaughlin has always shown.



Thirteen students will receive Bachelor of Education Degrees, June 8. These are: Edward H. Fish, Helen S. Hall, Bertha R. Hineckley, Yohanna S. Karlson, Ferol E. Keech, Phillip E. Kelly, Dorothy M. Kerrigan, Glen F. Maynard, Dorothy E. Moran, Francis J. Moriarty, Eleanor T. McLaughlin, Barbara L. Phillips and Frances L. Stewart. Eleanor McLaughlin who finished her course at midyears and Dorothy Kerrigan, who was sugar rationing the day the picture was taken are absent from the group above.

PAST PRESIDENTS' DAY OBSERVED

Eleven Alumni returned for the Past Presidents' Day banquet which was held at Leavenworth Hall, May 2. Those representing the presidents of past years were: Lawrence Ward, Roger Blood, Polly-Anna Jones Chase, Gladys Trombley, Marjorie McCarthy, Olive Rumney, '41, Anna Hineckley, '41, Albert Dauphin, '41, Barbara Clark, '41, Mary Wiggins, Earl Houston, and Ethel Toth Houser.

At the official business meeting of the Past Presidents' Association, it was decided to hold future meetings with an informal get together in conjunction with Alumni Day. The money collected from the banquet was added to the Caroline S. Woodruff Loan Fund which was established May 1940 to give financial aid to Castleton students.

The chairman of the banquet was Ethel Toth Houser and the toastmaster, Roger Blood. Guest speakers were: Dr. Caroline S. Woodruff, Mrs. Hewitt, Mr. Keech, and Mr. Scott.

STUDENTS ATTEND COMMUNITY CONCERT

A leading baritone of the Metropolitan Opera, Leonard Warren, presented the final concert in the Community Concert series of Rutland, at the High School auditorium, May 7.

Mr. Warren, a winner of the Metropolitan Auditions of the Air, has played such leading roles as Amonasro in "Aida,"

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STUDENT BODY ACCEPTS TENTATIVE CONSTITUTION

Students of Castleton Normal School have accepted a tentative constitution for an all inclusive organization, which was presented to them by the student senate. The name of this organization to which every student of Castleton Normal becomes an active member upon entering the school is "The Student Association of the Castleton Normal School."

As stated in the constitution the purpose is "To foster a spirit of unity in the student body; to develop a realization of individual and group responsibility towards the school and to its activities and purposes; and to cooperate with the School Administration in the formulation of policies for the vitalization of the School's function."

The officers of the Student Association shall be a president, a vice president, and a secretary-treasurer. The president automatically becomes the president of the student senate which is the executive board of the organization. Others members of the Senate include representatives of the four classes, the Commuter's Association, The Athletic Association, Men's Union, and Boarding girls.

This tentative constitution is the result of the work of a committee consisting of Josephine Hineckley; chairman, Eileen Eaton and Edward Fish, president, ex officio. The senate has referred the plan to the administration and faculty for their approval.

Rural Schools Present Festival

The spring music festival sponsored by the Meadowbrook, Castleton Corners and North Breton schools of Castleton under the direction of the Misses Heath, Spooner and Patrell, will take place at Glenbrook, May 21, 1942, and will be open to the public in the evening. The rural schools of Rutland have been invited to participate.

Two part singing, folk-dancing, toy band numbers and unison singing has been planned. The children will arrive at 1:30 P.M. and a rehearsal will take up the early part of the afternoon. A play period, consisting of organized games and relays will be supervised by division one of the sophomore class under the guidance of Miss Ewald. Another rehearsal will follow after which an outdoor picnic supper will be served.

In the evening the entertainment will be open to the public. The musical program includes O Susannah, Brahms Lullaby and the Spring Song given by the upper grades. The Brownies, The Broom and The Echo will be sung by the lower grades.

As a special number the Castleton Corners School and North Breton school will sing the Minuet as an accompaniment for the dance which will be presented by the children of Meadowbrook. Other specialties include selections by the toy band and folk dances which are to be chosen later.

As a grand finale groups in costume will give a dramatic presentation of the following songs; Marine Song, Caisson song, Anchor's Aweigh, Keep 'Em Flying, and Any Bonds Today.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Spring Semester, 1941-1942
Thursday, May 28

8:00-10:00

Senior—World Literature, Kelly
Junior—Music, Markham
Sophomore—Rural-Urban Sociology, Black
Freshmen—Nutrition, Hewitt

10:00-12:00

Senior—Political Science, Arnold
Senior—Contemporary Art, Jackson
Junior—English Literature, Kelly
Sophomore—Biology, Keech
Freshmen—Child Study, Fox

Friday, May 29

8:00-10:00

Senior—Field Course, Science, Keech
Senior—Family Relations, Hewitt
Junior—Economics, Arnold
Sophomore—American History, Hale
Freshmen—Music, Markham

10:00-12:00

Senior—Mental Hygiene, Fox
Sophomore—History and Principles of Education, Morrill
Freshmen—Geography, Black
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MUSIC IN THE RURAL SCHOOLS

The fifteenth annual musical festival has just been held in Burlington with 3,400 students representing 80 of Vermont's 113 high schools participating. Vermont is contributing to the musical life of America by encouraging such activities as the festival.

There is no counterpart in Europe to the bands, orchestra, and a capella choirs in American high schools. These are an outgrowth of the music taught in public schools where boys and girls learn to sing, read notes, and play instruments.

Music education is the birthright of every child just as reading and arithmetic are. The opportunity should not be limited to the boys and girls of Burlington, Rutland and the other larger places in the state. It should be available to every child in the most remote rural section of the state. A few counties now participate actively in music programs, but until all of the counties do someone will not be receiving their just due.

Congratulations are in order to the 80 high schools that shared in the musical experience at Burlington. They should receive credit for giving their students this opportunity to grow musically.

RATIONING

President Roosevelt in his speech to the nation Tuesday, April 28, outlined a seven point program for the national economic policy. The sixth point was "We must ration all essential commodities which are scarce." Already sugar rationing is in effect and gasoline is to follow and in the future other essential commodities will be included.

The purpose of this policy has been made very clear. Rationing isn't to deprive anyone of whatever he may be able to obtain; it is rather to insure everyone a share of whatever may be obtainable, to carry out the ideal of democracy. It will not only enable us to supply our fighting men, but will also help both to keep down the cost of living and to preserve and secure our American way of life.

Yet people are complaining. "How do they think we can get along without sugar? What does the government think it is trying to tell us how much sugar or gasoline we can have?" Those people are the ones who have no sons in the Army or Navy or Marines; who have no daughters that are Red Cross or Army nurses; who are too busy to aid in the defense program; who are, in short, not thinking.

And this is the time to think, and to think clearly. Rationing or any other policy of the defense program will be the means by which we, who are not in active service, can defend the home front, keep the front line forces fighting and assure glorious victory.

Even we, as students can help to make this program effective. Some of us have already shown our willingness by helping to register the students for their first sugar book. But our responsibility reaches further than that and includes everyone. We must be satisfied with what we have and must use it carefully. We must realize the necessity of having such a program and be willing, at all times, to do our part in making it a success.

THE DIARY OF A
PLAIN PRINCIPAL

Wednesday, May 6

All set for visitation at Chester, 8:30, when blanks arrived for priority application on Glen stoker. Put back an hour because of filing in Rutland. C produced one good applicant. To Windsor where NYA supervisor mistook me for State Police. Good interviews—two applicants. Sugar rationing prevented calls at Woodstock and White River. Lunch with Southeastern superintendents. Gas meeting in afternoon at W. All supers so busy they have no time for filling vacancies. Advised UVM Play Day called off because of accelerated program. Evening recreation riding a switching engine in the White River yards.

Thursday, May 7

Called at South Royalton, Bethel and Rochester. Supt. Harding suddenly ill and in hospital. Parker has several vacancies. Home at 5:00 to go through accumulated correspondence. Rutland Concert in evening. Excellent baritone. Planned Friday Defense meeting.

Friday, May 8

Routine day on campus. Telegram announcing tragic death of Maine director of Health. Evening meeting of Local Defense Council. Reports from all departments. Air warden and police ready to take over. Probable blackout on Friday coming. Citizens' mass meeting in Town Hall planned for 19th. Publicity and program started. AA presented ping-pong in chapel. Sorry not to see it all. Preliminary planning for scheduled Commencement addresses.

Monday, May 11

Black Monday. Principally because No. 1 stoker went out. Foreign material in coal due to outside storage plus other factors. Must report immediately because manufacture of replacement parts ceases May 28th. Hot water control now should eliminate complaints from that source. Another thermostat in library will balance the lack of heat there. Washington rules that gasoline is to be used principally for workers and wants to eliminate unessential pleasure driving.

Tuesday, May 12

Army test calls on practice air raid warnings began at 11:30 last night and on to 2:30 and 5:15. This continues for ten days. We relay calls to Hubbardton. Miss Bole of Lyndon called at 6:30 for day's conference on curriculum. Two trips to Rutland. At office, second stoker down temporarily. Fine relationship between institutions. Discussion will start with basic principles and minimum standards for achievement for certification applicants. Schools will come closer together on common programs. O.K. on purchase of second-hand station wagon for student transportation. How to finance? Testing program in district given up because of transportation problem. Disappointing.

BIRDSEYE MEMBER
INTERVIEWS REFUGEES

In an interview with a Birdseye member Miss Louise Elshoffer, refugee from Geniessen, Germany refused to give many details concerning her stay as a captive in a concentration camp in France, but said, "This experience was a very bad one and I want to forget about it."

Miss Elshoffer studied in the Universities of Geneva, Berlin, and Munich and is now working on a Ph D. at the graduate school of Harvard. In comparing the schools of Europe with those in the United States she said, "School life is very different. The first semester in Berlin, we go to see different professors and then decide what we want to study." She also added that the life was very different as you were much more independent in your way of living and studying. In Europe you make your own research and find out what you want to know. There are no finals in exams. She concluded this interview by saying—"You have more activities and sports here, which bring you in closer contact with other students. I like this and think this is a good idea."

Thomas Messer, whose home was in Prague, Czechoslovakia, has been in this country three years.

Mr. Messer was on the boat, "Antonia" which was torpedoed. He was rescued by a Norwegian steamer after spending eight hours on the rough sea in a small life boat. The steamer took him to Ireland where the survivors were well received.

In answer to a remark on how well he spoke English, he said, "All of the Central Europeans love to study English and I, myself, was very fond of it."

Mr. Messer expects to be drafted soon.

FROM THE EXCHANGE

Boston University News

Compulsory Physical Education
Text books won't rank as the only worries for University male undergraduates by next September if the athletic weather vane is pointing in the right direction. Chances are that they'll be spending three hours a week racing a compulsory physical education program supervised by the University athletic department.

Old Magazines an Admittance ticket

Five pounds of magazines or a good book for the service men will admit students to an afternoon vic hop. Magazines and books collected at the dance will be donated to the University Victory Booths which will send them to the soldiers, sailors and marines stationed at the fronts.

Plattsburg Normal School

"Buy a Jeep"

The Northern Light is promoting, with the book store, a campaign for the purchasing of enough war stamps by the students to buy a jeep for the army. The goal is \$500. The army needs jeeps and needs them badly. We can do our part. Here is how:

1. Buy at least one 25 cent war stamp each week from the book store.
2. Buy less candy, and other pleasures and concentrate for the next month on buying stamps.

MONKEY BUSINESS IN COMMUTER'S ROOM

Some monkeys have been monkeying around on the loose in the commuter's room. But this time the results are to be entirely looked upon with wonder. Everywhere is color; restful color, playful color, and even a delightful lazy color. In the main room the furniture is painted a loud, mischievous blue, while the walls just sing back with its canary yellow mellowness. Of course, this room was meant for the wide-awake, fun-loving element of the commuting girls. Here is where the most boisterous of laughs and tones originate. Drowsiness is just simply barred from this cheery haven. Even the dish cupboard and sink cry out activity and at noon their cries are answered with the extra dish banging and noisy chatter of lunch time. By stepping around the corner of the most populated room the scene completely changes. Here one yields to a more restful and lazy mood. The couch is more than often fully occupied but other day-dreamers are comfortably sitting around. From this peaceful group comes the most secret of all conversation. The voices are low, words drawn out and sometimes not even finished. As time passes on, new loafers come and go as does the idle patter. This solitude is created by the dreamy yellow walls which have been effected by the tri-tone, blue tie-tied curtains at the windows and door. The colors fade from bright to pastel, from generous energy to almost entire collapse. Only rarely do loud shrieks come from this much liked room and this comes when someone tries to claim too much resting territory. Fruity apricot color surrounds the shower room. It is delicate in content because the tones of the drenched "showerettes" must be softened. It seems that no one knows just what to expect from the shower, but whether hot or cold the shouts are equal in volume. Most anytime during the day, from this place the dountains of melodies bubble, giving the lively and latest hit tunes for anyone's listening pleasure.

Even though a great deal of progress has been made a host of work must be done in order to finish this masterpiece of interior decorations which is trying to conform with every mood of this changeable group. Cushions are sadly needed for sitting gets hard, and lamps will be purchased so more brilliance will come forth from this room. The sink must be put in disguise too. Also time cannot be overlooked for this thing will finally produce the finished project. By the way if anyone hasn't seen this outcome of hard work one and all are cordially invited to take one peek, but a warning has been posted against any duplicates.

SENIORS ENTERTAINED

The Seniors were royally entertained by Principal and Mrs. Ermo Scott, Tuesday evening, May 5. Others present at the occasion were Mrs. Scott, Mr. Scott's mother, and Dr. Woodruff.

Following a delightful dessert party consisting of chocolate, maple and lemon pies, chocolate cake, mints and coffee, the class adjourned to the parlor where they enjoyed the paper read by Principal Scott.



GEORGE YOUNG

George Young '39 is now stationed in Washington D. C. He is associated with the Radio department of the U.S. army.

Another C.N.S. alumnus, who was recently drafted is George Harington '38. "Georgie" is now stationed in Alabama.

We, at Castleton, who have worn a beaten path to the diner will be interested to know that George Looker is in the U.S. air corps, now in training in Louisiana.

"Windy" is telling us a little of his experiences in the following letter.

CLOUGHS ENTERTAIN

Juniors and Seniors were the guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Maxwell Clough, of the Federated Church, at a buffet luncheon Tuesday, May 12.

The menu consisted of a variety of salads, cold meats, pickles, olives, rolls, ice cream, cake and coffee. Following the luncheon, games and singing were enjoyed by all.

STUDENTS HEAR HARPIST

Students, faculty and friends enjoyed a harp recital presented by Miss Millison K. Shedd, music teacher at Pinkerton Academy, Friday evening, May 1.

Miss Shedd was a pupil of Elford Caughey for nine years, and has played with the Melrose Newton and Boston Civic Symphony Orchestras. She was harpist at the Ogontz School, Philadelphia 1940-41.

With her program, Miss Shedd told the history of the harp, and explained its mechanics.

Among the numbers which she rendered were: Little King of Y'Velot, a French folk song; Zphyr by Salzedo; A Bach Chorale; The Music Box by Poenitz; The Angelus by Renie; and Claire De Lune by Debussy.

NEWS FROM CAMP

Here is the letter I promised to write to C.N.S. teachers and students.

We arrived here in Fort McClellan, Friday, April 19. We had a long and tiresome train ride, travelling 43 hours without being allowed to leave our Pullman from start to finish except to go to the "chow" car for meals.

In this company there are boys from Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. We are the fighting Yanks from New England!

The camp itself, I believe, is a hundred square miles with a personnel of 60,000 men (and darn few women!) We live in tents with five men to a tent and about ten tents on a Co. Street. I guess I am about the youngest in our Co. and one of the tallest because I am in the lead position of Squad 3, 1st. platoon.

Another fellow and I are the Co.'s publicity men.

This letter is being composed in the service club—the hangout of all soldiers. Here are facilities for every kind of entertainment one desires; game room, cafeteria, ice-cream bar, and a writing balcony where paper, pens, and envelopes are furnished for the asking.

My best to all my friends and tell them all to write to me. I would enjoy their letters so much.

Yours truly,

"Windy".

SENIOR THESIS

Fifteen Seniors and part time students have completed work on their Senior theses which will be filed in the library May 15. The titles are given below:

Charles Dickens: A Master of Characterization, Mary Eagan

The Age of the German Revolution and the Climax of individualism, Edward Fish

Literary Characteristics of the Hebrew Parables, Helen Hall

Edgar Allen Poe: An Artist of the Short Story, Bertha Hinckley

The Outstanding Victorian Poets and Their Treatment of Science and Religion through their Subject Matter, Yohanna Karlson

Shakespeare: A Master of Characterization Ferol Keech

The Contribution of Walt Whitman to American Literature, Phillip Kelly

Chaucer: The Versatile Story Teller, Dorothy Kerrigan

Henry David Thoreau, Individualist, Glen Maynard

The American Drama from Its Beginning To the Present Time, Eleanor McLaughlin

Sensory Imagery in the Verse of Homer, Betty Moran

The Philosophy of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Francis Moriarty

The Early Heroic and Legendary Tales of Ireland, Mollie Mumford

The Critical Essay of the Early Eighteenth Century, Barbara Phillips

Milton: The Puritan Poet and Philosopher, Frances Stewart

CHAPELS

The chapel programs have shown considerable variety in the past three weeks.

A music program was presented May 1. Much of the hidden talent which C.N.S. has was displayed at this occasion. A trio composed of Lois Basset, Elizabeth Graziano, and Rita Langdon, accompanied by Hazel Beals rendered two selections. Mary Dervin sang two popular songs. "I Don't want to walk without you" and "Always in My Heart." Leonard Dordick, not to be overshadowed by the female aspect of the school, sang "Someday my Prince will come," and "Ah, sweet Mystery of Life." The closing number on the program was given by the "harmonizing trio" Barbara Bouvier, Ginnie Rehehan, and Ann Suneson.

Following this musical program, Mr. Keech showed films on housing projects and war industries.

Ping Pong enthusiasts had a good opportunity to show their skills in chapel May 8. The program, led by Perry Mayo consisted of several games of ping pong between Bud Fish, Glen Maynard, Perry Mayo, Fran Moriarity, Frances Stewart, Pauline Easton, Miss Ewald, and Alma Meader.

FRESHMAN DANCE

Ianni's orchestra made music for the dancing couples, who attended the Freshman frolic, April 25. The dance was voted a social success by all present.

Red roses transformed the auditorium into a garden. Robins were every where and soft blue lights added to the illusion of moonlight. Aleda White, as class president, and Claire Hebard, chairman of the dance committee, headed the receiving line, with them were; Prin. and Mrs. Ermo Scott, Dr. and Mrs. Fox, Misses Jackson, Ewald, Black, the freshman class advisor.

The committee responsible for the dance included; Arlene Stockwell, decorations; Shirley Martin, refreshments; Perry Mayo, orchestra; Rhoda Curran, invitations and programs.

BREVITIES

Jane Bueche spent the week-end of April 25th with Mac Grant in New Haven.

Toni Dow was the guest of Mary Fallon, a former student of Castleton, on May 2 and 3.

Marion Rickard was the weekend guest of Alice Kinsmen.

Bud Fish has returned from the Rutland Hospital, where he has received treatment for an injured back.

Misses Black and Morrill of the faculty spent Saturday and Sunday, May 2-3 at their camp in Freiburg, Maine.

Mrs. Jennie Scott is a guest in the home of her son Prin. Ermo Houston Scott.

Miss Mary Sullivan, formerly of the faculty of C.N.S., now at U.V.M. spent the weekend of May 10 with Dr. Woodruff.

Seniors and Juniors were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Maxwell Clough at a buffet luncheon, May 11.

BREVITIES

Mr. Carl Suneson from Hartford was guest of his daughter Anna for the week of April 27.

Jennie Hull, Phillips House, entertained her sisters for the weekend recently.

Barbara Hinckley, a prospective student of C. N. S. was a guest of her sister Josephine. Barbara spent a part of her time visiting classes to acquaint herself with the real thing.

Bonnie Scott and Alma Meader spent the week-end with Norma Bailey in her home at Rochester.

Vera Slack and Shirley Sprague were visitors on campus April 25-26.

Kay Howard spent the week-end of May 2nd with Betty Sargent, at her home in Brattleboro.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

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1:30- 3:30

Senior—Physical Education, Ewald
Monday, June 1

8:00-10:00

Senior—Western Civilization, Arnold
Junior—Science, Keech
Sophomore—Music, Markham
Freshman—Art, Jackson

10:00-12:00

Senior—Modern Trends, Arnold
Junior—Child and Curriculum, Hale
Sophomore II—American Literature, Kelly

Freshmen—Hygiene, Ewald

1:30- 3:30

Freshmen—Physical Education, Ewald
Sophomore I—American Literature, Kelly

Tuesday, June 2

8:00-10:00

Senior—Elementary Mathematics
Keech
Junior—Hospitality, Hewitt
Sophomore—Art, Jackson

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Bang! Crash! Bruised elbows and skinned ankles! All this trouble has been created by the sophomores taking their motor ability tests. By the way some of the girls say that their motor hasn't got very much ability. At first Lois Bassett was the only one to get one of the stunts, but with a great struggle some others accomplished the feat. Hellie Bertolino got all twisted up and if Marge Dickinson hadn't helped her, poor girl would have had to stay there all evening. Regardless of lame joints and hurt bodies the girls would like another chance to display their talents or show that they have no talents.

Sharing the spotlight with stunts is spring baseball. You should see Marion Lavarne hit that spinning sphere with her Bundle for Britain suit on. Never mind Marion the game is more important than the suit. Or is it? On the warmest of days the fair lassies shed their shoes and sock. The baseball was played to the tune of the pitter-patter of "tiny" bare feet. All arguments which arise are often settled by umpire Chris Pratt with and without the baseball bat. In between outs and strikes Chris carries on an interrupted conversation with the C.N.S. sunbathers. Incidentally this sport is important in its own right.

With the rationing of gas, bike riding will come more fully into view. Two girls from the dorm gallantly peddled to Rutland. Perhaps more will try this good form of exercise. With no sugar and plenty of muscular energy used the girls at C.N.S. should be in the best form by the time school closes.

Freshmen I-II—Composition, Hale - Kelly

10:00-12:00

Senior—Tests and Measures, Fox
Junior—General Sociology, Black
Sophomore—Physical Education, Ewald

1:30- 3:30

Senior—Consumer Education, Hewitt
Junior—Physical Education, Ewald

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SPORTS FOR MEN

The past two weeks of perfect spring weather have afforded opportunity for daily workouts on the softball diamond. Although many of last years heavy hitters have left school and the squad is only about half as large, there are still some of the boys left who can belt them over the fence. At daily practice the upperclassmen have taken on the Freshmen and sophomores and thus far the veterans have had more on the ball than the youngsters. Among the upperclassmen who formerly made up the team and now lend a hand to the freshmen and sophomores in their daily dubbing are Phil Kelly, Glen Maynard, Fran Moriarity, Joe Solari, and Leonard Dordick. Bud Fish, who was on the mound for the upperclassmen at the beginning of the season has been forced to retire due to a back injury.

Acting as playing-manager for the underclassmen is Eddie Curran, former Arlington High School baseball star. Mayo and McCormick, both freshmen, are doing the bulk of the twirling while on the bases and in the field are Burt Brown, Nelson Williams, Leonard Johnson, and Donald Coleman, behind the plate we see Ted Whalen.

With the opening of the sports room ping pong has become popular on the campus. A few of the boys, who have been getting plenty of practice gave an exhibition of good ping pong playing in Chapel last Friday. The stars include, Glen Maynard, Bud Fish, Francis Moriarity, and Perry Mayo.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks are the parents of a son born April 3. Mrs. Sparks will be remembered by her schoolmates as Constance Phelps or "Connie". Both Mr. and Mrs. Sparks were graduated from the two year course in '41.

Miss Ruth Seabury, a graduate of C.N.S. in 1940 was recently married to Mr. George Machia from Hancock.

An informal announcement has been made of the coming marriage of Miss Florence Ryan, class of '41 and Paul McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Howrigan are the parents of a baby boy, Michel David, born March 12. Mrs. Howrigan, formerly Neva LaRocque was graduated from Castleton in 1938.

Margaret A. Garneau, part time student '40 was married to William E. Eagan of Castleton, April 26.

Mrs. Albert Pockett, the former Corinne Towne, '37 has moved from Fair Haven to Manchester, Massachusetts.

STUDENTS ATTEND
COMMUNITY CONCERT

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Valentin in "Faust," and the King's Herald in "Lohengrin." He has been on tour and sung in Boston, Cleveland, Dallas and New Orleans.

His program included three arias from operas of Verdi, Gounod, and Massenet; folk songs and seventeenth century lyrics; "Thanks be to Thee" and "O Ruddier than the Cherry" by Handel; "Tu lo sai" by Torelli; and "An Old Song Resung" by Griffes.

Mr. Warren's accompanist was Milford Snell who played as his contribution "Barberini's Minuet" by Harold Bauer and "Ballade in A Flat" by Chopin.

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C.N.S. TO OBSERVE 74th COMMENCEMENT

Alumni Association Plans Reunions

Under the leadership of Lawrence Ward '37, the Alumni Association is completing plans for holding its annual reunion during Commencement week, Saturday, June 6, 1942. Two new features will be inaugurated by the Association this year. A five year plan for class reunions will be started with the return of the following classes: 1877, 1882, 1887, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1907, 1912, 1917, 1922, 1927, 1932, 1937, and 1942. Earl Houston '39 as editor-in-chief and Martha Langdon Towers '33 as associate editor will issue the first of an Alumni bulletin which will include news of the Alumni happenings and suggestions for a more active Association.

The program for the day includes a business meeting in the afternoon and a banquet in the evening followed by informal visiting.

Committees in charge of arrangements are: Hospitality, chairman Olive Rumney '41; Program, chairman Jean Adams '40; and Nominating, chairman Marjorie McCarthy '25.

Cards have been sent out by the Association urging every member of the reunion classes to be present.

Officers of the Association are for 1942: President, Lawrence Ward '37; First Vice-President, Robert Lorette '37; Second Vice-president, Marion Horan '31; Secretary, Erma Hopper '35; and Treasurer, Hollis Johnson 1896.

OFFICERS FOR 1942-1943

Elections have been held with the following results:

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Vice-President, Nelson Williams
Secretary, Anita Wilder
Treasurer, Joseph McCormick

Commuters' Association

President, Rita Langdon
Vice-President, Leonard Johnson
Secretary, Margaret Lynch
Treasurer, Marilyn Cady

C.N.S. Players

President, Dorothy Snow
Vice-President, Irene Flint
Secretary-Treasurer, Nelson Williams

Rural Club

President, Hazel Beals
Vice-President, Margaret Lynch
Secretary, Florence Loveland
Treasurer, Jennie Hull

Men's Union

President, Perry Mayo
Vice-President, Leonard Johnson
Secretary, Joseph McCormick
Treasurer, Nelson Williams

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This is the last issue of the Birdseye which the present staff will produce. Members of the staff include Norma Bailey, Lodemia Cary, Veronica Fish, Helen Hall, Claire Hebard, Helen King, Anna Lenoci, Marione Levarne, Jean Long, Alma Meader, Francis Moriarty, Christine Pratt, Frances Stewart and Anita Wilder.

Commencement Week Program

Wednesday, June 3

Last Chapel, 10:30 A.M.
Garden Party, 4:00-5:00 P.M.
Play, 8:30 P.M.

Auditorium
Glenbrook
Auditorium

Thursday, June 4

College Picnic

Lake St. Catherine

Friday, June 5

College Informal Party, 9:00-1:00

Leavenworth Hall

Saturday, June 6

Alumni Day

Sunday, June 7

Baccalaureate Exercises, 3:00 P.M.

Processional

"The Heavens Resound" Beethoven, Women's Glee Club

Invocation, Rev. Howard L. Stimmel, Poultney

"O, Rest in the Lord", from "Elijah," Mendelssohn, solcist, Donald Coleman, '45

Scripture, Principal Ermo Houston Scott

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," Riley, Mixed Choir

Address, "The End of Knowledge," President Jesse P. Bogue, Green Mountain

Junior College, Poultney

"God of All Nature," Tchaikowsky

Benediction, Rev. Howard L. Stimmel

Recessional

Informal Luncheon—all graduates, 6:00 P.M.

Candle Lighting Service—7:00 P.M.

Monday, June 8

Commencement Exercises, 10:00 A.M.

Processional

Invocation, Rev. Maxwell L. Clough, Castleton

"Grant Us to do with Zeal," Bach, Mixed Choir

"Land of our Hearts," Chadwick, Women's Choir

Greetings from the State by Governor William H. Wills

Announcements

Trio, "By the Waters of Minnetonka," Lieurance, Anne Suneson, '44, Virginia

Renchan, '44, Barbara Bouvier, '44.

Address, "And Now Abideth What?" Dr. Ambrose L. Suhrie, New York University

"I Hear America Calling," Neale-Marlowe, Women's Glee Club

Announcements

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Graduation To Be Held June 8

Baccalaureate Speaker

Dr. Jesse P. Bogue, President of Green Mountain Junior College, will speak to the student body of the Castleton Normal School Baccalaureate Sunday, June 7. His address is entitled "The End of Knowledge".

Though he was born in Alabama, Dr. Bogue has been a Vermonter eleven years. He received his doctor's degree from De Pauw University in Indiana, then taught in Illinois Wesleyan University for a year, following which he was ordained as a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. A veteran of World War I, he served as chaplain in the 49th artillery overseas from 1917 to 1919. At the close of the war, he returned to Indiana where he held a pastorate and where he also served as superintendent of schools. After several years spent in various pastorates in Indiana, Tennessee and New York, in 1931 he accepted the position of headmaster of Troy Conference Academy, now Green Mountain Junior College, Poultney, Vermont.

Address To Graduates

The commencement address on Monday will be given by Dr. Ambrose L. Suhrie of New York University. His topic is "And Now Abideth—What?"

This is not Dr. Suhrie's first visit to Vermont or Castleton. He has visited C.N.S. several times in recent years and has spoken at other places in the state.

Dr. Suhrie has been a member of the staff of New York University since 1924 and is soon to retire in order to further pursue his study of the problem relating to education in the south. His life has been spent in furthering the interests of education in the role of public school teacher, principal and superintendent. In 1912 he became the head of the Normal Department of the Georgia State College for Women. Since then he has specialized in the field of teacher education. After a short time as head of the Cleveland

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JUNIORS TO HOLD SCHOOL PARTY

The Junior party which is this year taking the place of the annual Junior Prom will be held in Leavenworth Hall Friday evening, June 5, from 9 to 12 P.M. The dining room will be transformed into an outdoor garden—gold fish pond and everything for the dancers. For those who do not care for dancing there will be games in the lobby. Music, popular music, will issue forth from a shepherd's pipe. Dance programs will in some way follow out the gold fish idea. Punch and cookies will be served at intermission.

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AND SO — TO WORK

A new atmosphere invades the campus as June 8 approaches. Boys and girls have become men and women. Their manner, their expression, and even their conversation show it. Those with a contract tucked safely in their pockets speak with pride of "my school" and of what "my pupils" will do and what "our P.T.A." will accomplish. They can be seen busily copying songs, games, and seat work ideas; seeking "extra" information about tests, text books, and work-books; and asking myriads of such questions as, "How do you balance a register?", "What do you do the first day?", and "What will I do if I can't solve an eighth grade arithmetic problem?"

All this activity indicates an increased feeling of inadequacy and denotes a heightened nervousness which are healthy signs. They signify that graduation has come to have its true meaning of commencement; that although we may leave behind our carefree student ways, we are only beginning life as responsible, mature adults; but more than that, that we are becoming members of the teaching profession.

This new position in society means that we are expected by our superintendents and supervisors to be a credit to the profession; by Mr. Average Citizen to be a leader in the community and to prepare boys and girls for future citizenship; by Johnny's parents to give him the tools he will need in life; and by our pupils to make school fun, learning easy, and to help them discover the mysteries of the world and of life.

Are we equal to the task? Can we fulfill our obligations? If we realize that no one knows everything, that our education is just beginning, and if we continue endeavoring to learn by every experience we have, and never fail to achieve our best, we will be an asset to our profession and to society, and will make proud our Alma Mater.

RETURN TO SIMPLICITY

Dobbin slipped into the shadows and was lost in the past when the automobile came into the limelight in 1905, and has remained in the background ever since except for appearance on the racetrack, or at the circus or the Fair. But like Tommy Atkins, old Dobbin has a special place when "the troops begin to ride." Now that tires are in the dishrag state and gas is measured in teaspoons, Dobbin and Shank's mare are staging a comeback. There are those will who complain bitterly at not being able to race around the country or find their fun in distant places, but already people are adjusting themselves to changing conditions and dusting off some old forms of pleasures which have been packed away so long they are almost forgotten.

It is refreshing to leave a busy office and find quiet relaxation and opportunity for meditation and fishing in a murmuring stream. Walking through woods and over hills speeds up circulation, gives strength to flabby muscles, creates an appetite, and makes one glad to be alive.

Picnicking in the backyard helps one become better acquainted with his neighbors, makes a simple meal seem like a dish fit for a king and gives a chance for everyone from grandmother down to baby to be included.

In the hustle and bustle of the world today we have missed many of the beauties of nature. Walks through woods and fields reveal where the bees store their honey, where the oriole builds his nest, and where the lady's slipper grows. No one has really lived until he has felt the wind and rain in his face and seen the fields bathed in the white and gold of daisies and buttercups in summer sunshine. There is nothing so delicate or so rare as the fragrance of the first arbutus; nothing more soothing than the whispering of the wind in the pine trees, or nothing more pleasing than the meadowlark calling to his mate over fields of ripening grain.

When peace has come again and people look back on these times, they will find many personal gains in the return to simple outdoor life. Wholesome activities increase physical energy and give a new outlook on one's self, one's neighbors and the problems both must meet.



Dear Miss Kelly,

We, of the Birdseye staff, who have worked with you, have come to realize your unfailing interest and effort in our behalf and in behalf of the Birdseye.

Since the birth of the Birdseye, you have been its devoted guide and friend. You have inspired its members to achieve their best workmanship and to be patient in reaching this goal.

We want you to know how deeply we appreciate every thought and deed which has shown your untiring devotion.

May you have every success in future years and may the Birdseye always reach the high ideals which you have inspired.

With sincere appreciation,
The Birdseye Staff.

RESULTS EXPECTED

Movie goes and critics who inspired the editorial in the April Birdseye suggesting that organizations active in our school life apply the philosophy of the larks in the wheat field by doing something about the poor sound effects in the auditorium will be pleased to know that their criticism is bearing fruit. Mr. Keech immediately took the matter up with the Smith Lumber Company and got an engineer of the U.S. Gypsum Company, Glens Falls to investigate the conditions and draw up plans that will improve the sound qualities.

Mr. Schuyler, the engineer, estimated that the materials and work would cost from \$200 to \$500. He also stated that this would not only improve the acoustical quality, but would add to the attractiveness of the room.

Mr. Scott generously offers to match all funds which we may raise. The harder we pull together the larger our contribution will be and the more Mr. Scott will have to match. Even though we can't raise the full amount by June 8, we can make a noble start. By following this spring's efforts with a little determination and elbow grease next fall we

THE DIARY OF A
PLAIN PRINCIPAL

Thursday, May 21

Two leaks reported. One in hot water service to Home Ec. Lab. Must replace. Other indicated by large spots on dining hall ceiling threatening repairs by tearing up bathroom floor. Chance disclosure that afternoon previous a careless student flooded floor by leaving tap running while laundering handkerchief. Might lead to expensive replastering if repeated. Station wagon to be delivered on May 30. Senate report indicates activity and good thinking on problems. Willingness to tackle vexing problems. Federated annual meeting in evening. Led singing.

Friday, May 22

Supers calling on positions. Must find way to check students who have signed contracts to avoid duplication of effort and needless interruption of schedules. Forenoon in Rutland for monthly banking and campus errands. State auditor ended six day's checking of two year's accounts. Clean bill, perhaps twenty-five cents out. Student conferences for employment. Is there relationship between attitude on one job and probable attitude on another? Conference with engineer on acoustic treatment of auditorium. First meeting of New Student Association. Good work by chairman. Rutland High School assembly talk next Friday.

Monday, May 25

Last regular chapel this semester. Mysterious package in office contains academic regalia for Dr. Suhrie. Foreboded as always. Congratulations on careful use of electricity for year hollow. Informed meter has been defective since August. Additional bill of over \$300. Men have rigged power device for back-grinding lawn mowers. Very efficient. Faculty meeting at 2:30. Sundry business for close of year. Usual faculty party will be picnic at Glen. Seminar in evening to summarize year's program and evaluate Dr. Stratameyer's contributions. Good discussion with probability of some action. Ed Boak came in at 9:30 and discussed candidates for a time.

Tuesday, May 26

Boak in for interviews first of morning. Mr. Batchelder came in p.m. Departmental matters discussed. Possibility of additional funds for library this year. Mr. Noble awarded honorary doctorate by Middlebury. Picnic at Glen as guest of Birdseye. Good eats including special "Stewart" pork roast and dressing. Brooklyn vs Yanks. Score disputed even after Y's played extra half-inning. Fun. We should play more together. Community Defense party netted \$25.00. Montpelier informs that institutions should hold student sugar cards in custody during time of residence period. Ordered more rice coal for stokers. Almost impossible to obtain. Investigated heating plant, Crows Nest. Memo—inform boarding student no blankets issued coming year because of scarcity. Must furnish all bedding.

will have evidence to present to the holders of the state's money bags that we know how to help ourselves. No legislature could refuse assistance to such a worthy endeavor.

COME ON GROUPS! DO YOUR BEST!

LOOKING FORWARD

"Hello, Mary, come with me and let's look around the school. I just know there are lots of new things to see. First, let's go upstairs and look at those five rooms that have been finished in pastels. Look at that blue one. Oh, wouldn't it be fun to have that room! Say aren't the hall floors nifty with that new finish? Arlene told me that the floors at Phillips House are all done over, too.

"Let's go over to Woodruff Hall. I am just aching to see if they have done anything there. Look, they have started work in the Men's Room. Won't it be nice to have a recreation room in this building? Birdseye should get a scoop saying 'Girls Enter Men's Room For First Time', but of course it will be for boys as well as girls. I just saw Ted and he said that the boys' rest rooms were all remodeled and had new showers."

Off to the Old Chapel. "Miss Markham should be able to make things hum this year with the music room all painted and refinished. Look outside. Doesn't it look nice? And they have been developing the parking space and the grounds look so green and fresh.

"You know, I heard that they are going to have an automatic stoker at the Glen. With an adequate heating system at the Crows' Nest, the boys ought to be able to keep the icicles off their beds this year, that is, if they keep the fires going.

"I guess that's all that's new so let's go back and see if we can't possibly hook one of those new blue rooms."

OFFICERS FOR 1942-1943

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FROM THE EXCHANGE

Required notebooks

Personally, required notebooks have been the bane of my existence. It has been my experience that notes hastily written during a class discussion are often later misinterpreted (if they can be read at all). In studying for a test, I



Barbara Phillips

Seniors are all agog over the diamond which flashes on the hand of one of their member. Frequent whispered questions: "Is it true?", "Can it be real?" may be heard.

So far no denials have come from either Barbara or Donald.

The Birdseye hastens to extend its heartiest congratulations and best wishes to you both.

CLOUGHS ENTERTAIN

Reverend and Mrs. Clough entertained members of the Sophomore Class at their home Tuesday evening, May 26. The students enjoyed an excellent buffet supper, after which they played games and relays. Later the group gathered around the piano for singing. All the guests wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Clough for a pleasant evening.

STUDENTS' POSITIONS

Several students have accepted positions during the past few weeks. The following are those who have signed contracts.

SENIORS

Bertha Hinckley, West Springfield, Springfield, Vt.; Yohanna Karlson, Londonderry, Vt.; Barbara Phillips, Gassetts, Vt.

JUNIORS

Jeanne Lanthier, Pompanoosuc, Vt.; Betty Sargent, East Putney, Vt.

SOPHOMORES

Lois Bassett, Sudbury Hill, Sudbury, Vt.; Norma Betts, Starksboro Gore, Starksboro, Vt.; Margery Dickinson, Scottsville, Danby, Vt.; Eileen Eaton, Bump School, Benson, Vt.; Veronica Fish, Brooklyn, Mt. Tabor, Vt.; Mae Grant, West Hill, Lincoln, Vt.; Elaine Jacobs, Baldwin School, Dinesburg, Vt.; Helen Jamieson, Sunderland, East Arlington, Vt.; Marion Levarne, Lincoln Corners, Vt.; Ellen McGinn, Orwell Hill, Orwell, Vt.; Christine Pratt, Salisbury Plains, Salisbury, Vt.; Mildred White, Bennington, Vt.; Norma Bessette, North Ferrisburg, Vt.; Barbara Bouvier, Potash Bay, Vergennes, Vt.; Margaret Cassidy, Sudbury, Vt.; Merilda Gingras, Monkton, Vt.; Paulina Howard, North Hartland, Vt.; Beverly Wood, Weathersfield, Vt.

have found it of infinitely more value to go to the original sources to review. As for the previously mentioned "pearls of wisdom" I prefer to string mine on a thread of memory in my brain rather than keep them in a notebook safe deposit vault.

Editorial
Tower Light
Towson, Maryland

EVERYBODY'S DOING IT

One of the activity highlights of the spring semester has been group picnics.

Monday night, May 18, the Rural Club held a picnic supper at the ledges back of the school. Hazel Beals and Jennie Hull were members of the picnic committee.

The Seniors were entertained Wednesday night, May 30, at a steak supper at Glenbrook by their class sponsor Miss Kelly.

Mrs. Phillip Leavenworth was hostess to the fifteen Phillip's House girls Wednesday night, May 20. The supper, originally planned as a picnic was served at the house because of rain. Misses Mary Markham, Elizabeth Hale and Norma Bailey were guests.

The Commuters were served a picnic dinner, Monday noon, May 25, at the ledges. Marilyn Cady was in charge of the picnic.

The Birdseye Staff held a picnic, Tuesday, May 26, at Glenbrook Oven. Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Fox were guests. Frances Stewart's mother played fairy godmother and provided many delicious additions to the supper.

The final picnic event will take place tomorrow, June 4, at Lake St. Catherine, when all the members of the Normal School will roll merrily on their way to a most enjoyable day. Among the many highlights of the occasion, there'll be boating, swimming, dancing, baseball, bowling and, last but not least, the delicious luncheon at noon.

C. N. S. PLAYERS TO PRESENT PLAY

The play *Cyrano de Bergerac* by Edmund Rastand is to be presented by the C.N.S. players of the Castleton Normal School Wednesday evening, June 3, 1942 at 8:30.

Neville Scott plays the leading role of Cyrano. Roxane played by Rhoda Pratt, is courted by Cyrano and by Christain, enacted by Perry Mayo. Other characters in this drama are: LeGuiche, Edward Curran; Ragueneare, Ann Suneson; Sister Marthe, Lois Bassett; Captain Carbon de Castel-Joloux, Francis Moriarity and Ligniere, Glenn Maynard.

THANK YOU

"The Birdseye" staff and members are looking back on a very full and enjoyable year. At this time we want to remember the other twelve students who worked with us the first half—Aleda White, Delia Walker, Dorothy Snow, Anne Suneson, Kathleen Ryan, Eileen Eaton, Lyola Eagan, Margaret Cassidy, Josephine Hinckley, Dorothy Smith and Eleanor Wilson—we're sorry you couldn't have stayed with us.

We are appreciating another group of people now, too—our Advertisers. The best way we can show this is by remembering who they were this summer.

To Mr. Foley and his workers we extend our sincerest appreciation for the special effort and interest which he has given our paper.

C. N. S. HONOR ROLL

To date C.N.S. has at least six of her alumni in the armed forces of the United States. Among those already in are:

Robert Lorette '37 Center Rutland, Air Corps

George Young '39, Castleton, Army

George Harrington '38, Castleton, Army

Alfred Henebry '40, Castleton, Navy

Edward Hart '41, Niagara Falls, Air corps

Wendell Bartholemeu, Benson, Army

Other alumni who will go into service this summer are:

Joseph Sanders '40, Rutland

"Sandy" Beretta '40, Proctor

Ralph Hayes '33, Fair Haven

Harold Gibbs '41, Castleton Corners

Bernard Odell '40, Benson

Walter Raynes '44, Pittsford

From this year's graduating class two will be inducted in June: Phillip Kelly and Francis Moriarity both of Fair Haven. Other graduates who are registered and will be on call are Edward Fish, Castleton, Joseph Solari, Center Rutland, and Lenord Dordick, West Rutland. Glen Maynard of Fair Haven expects to enlist in the Coast Guard immediately after graduation.

CHAPELS

"One of my impressions of the army is that most of the men are just plain Americans. They are not primarily interested in the peace that will come after the war but are ready to do a job and hope that their bit may help," said Robert Lorette, in a talk to Castleton Normal School students in a program sponsored by the Castleton. Mr. Lorette described vividly his first few days in the army and pictured a typical day at camp.

Defense has played a large part in chapel programs of late. Mr. Koltonski, Fire Chief of Rutland, gave an illustrated talk on bombings, different types of bombs and the sort of damage each does. Films showing women engaged in war activities were shown. Their occupations range all the way from inspecting shells to sewing on uniforms or precise work in chemical laboratories.

Mrs. Russell Sholles, first vice-president of the Vermont Parent-Teacher Association, outlined the objectives of this organization to students and faculty. She stressed the need for cooperation of parents and teachers for the development of the whole child. Much responsibility rests with the educated parent. The teacher must help all fathers and mothers to understand what the school is trying to do.

More slides of life at C.N.S. have been made. The last showing gave the nearly completed yearly cycle as lived at the college. Many of the social activities were pictured and the relationship of the location of the buildings to the town.

Ping Pong came in for its due recently. A lively demonstration was given under the tutelage of Perry Mayo.

The proclamation for I Am an American Day introduced a new type of special observance program. An interesting feature presented was a series of recordings of Revolutionary War songs authentically reproduced.

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BREVITIES

Gladys Clark, Dede White, Rhoda Curran, Shirley Martin, Judy Crossman, and Eddie Curran attended the Music Festival in Burlington, Saturday, May 9.

Gertrude Murray, Northfield, Mass., spent the week-end of May 16 at Leavenworth Hall with her sister, Emma Murray.

Those who were entertained away from school the weekend of May 16 were:

Betty Sargent at Kay Howard's home in Benson.

Helen Comes and Becky Wood at Merilda Gingras' home in Middlebury.

Hazel Beals at Pauline Easton's home in Shoreham.

Helen Jamieson and Frannie Douglas in Mendon.

Elsie Lourie at Rae Stratton's home in Bennington.

Those who were entertained away from school Memorial weekend were:

Claire Hebard at Shirley Martin's home in Chester.

Hazel Beals at Pauline Easton's home in Shoreham.

Helen King at Frannie Douglas' home in Middlebury.

Christine Pratt, Marion Levarne, Ellen McGinn, Jane Bueche, Dorothy Smith, Jo Hinekey, and Lodemia Cary are planning to spend a week on Lake Bomoseen this summer.

How the summer will be spent by others: Irene Flint—waitress in cafeteria at Bryant's Shop, Springfield, Vermont.

Helen King—waitress at Dog Team Tavern, Middlebury, Vermont.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Today after much arbitration and deep thought, we, of the Birdseye staff, willingly decided to devote this sports column to our masterly but fun-loving superiors, the faculty. Somehow they couldn't confine themselves to merely one sport, so we agreed to print all and any facts concerning the "other half" of their lives. First of all we cornered Mr. Keech.

Mr. Keech: About all we can say for this ardent stamp collector is that he is pretty scarce with his sporting information. However, he has another, in which he occasionally says he indulges. For the more curious people the Birdseye will tell this sport upon request.

Miss Kelly: We quote, "My 'spectator' interests in sports are horse racing, discus and javelin throwing, basketball, baseball, and boat races." She also like fishing if someone baits the hook and then removes the fish (if she has caught any). Lastly she likes to cook out-of-door such things as a tasty, savory steak.

Miss Jackson: A day on a horse, quoits, bowling, archery, golf, and a gay walk with a dog would be this sport's fan most delightful day. But tops for her, though infrequently experienced are festival developments with riotous and beautiful folk dancing and she adds, the modern dance. In this new order of living she predicts less competition in American sports, a greater enthusiasm, as with the old Greeks, on how well the javelin is thrown not how far.

Mr. Fox: This man goes in for sports in a mighty big way, folks. Football is first and foremost. In a high school in New Jersey, he played halfback and proudly proclaims they were champs for two years. A torn ligament forced him to devote his efforts to track during college days. From all reports he was a "shark" at swimming the backstroke and freestyle, so much so he placed first in a New Jersey Conference Meet.

Miss Morrill: Here is another interested fan in swimming but she likes hers in salt water. We especially like her idea of having a pool right here on campus. (In our minds nothing could be better) Horseback riding along wooded lanes calls

SPORTS FOR MEN

The tennis courts have held the spotlight on the campus for the past two weeks. The courts are in good condition and are much in demand. Lenord Dordick remains undefeated and is now the number one tennis player on the campus. Joe McCormick is a close second to Dordick and is the outstanding Freshman on the courts. Maynard, Whalen, Mayo and Coleman also rank among the tennis enthusiasts.

Due to exams and play practice the turnouts for the softball games has been small. The Upperclassmen are still leading the Freshmen in the number of daily games won. "Bud" Fish, who has been disabled with a back injury has returned to the Senior line up.

Ted Whalen is the men's leading representative on the Bulls Eye Club. Ted claims he has hit the bulls eye four out of five tries for a daily record.

At the last chapel, June 3rd, Coach Fox will award letters to the members of the basketball squad. Due to the possibility that there will be no intercollegiate basketball at C.N.S. for the duration of the war the Men's Athletic Council has voted to award letters to all members of the squad who completed the season, though all members did not play the required number of minutes set up by the Council for the earning of letters. Those who will receive their letters are: Glenn Maynard, Francis Moriarity, Edward Fish (Mgr.), Joseph Solari, Edward

to her leisure time as does golf. She feels snow-shoeing is a great sport and allows her more time in which to view the landscape, than does skiing.

Of course the remainder of our faculty really do have their long line of sports but they failed to share them with us.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Eleanor McLaughlin is leaving her position at Plymouth State Teachers' College at the close of classes to go to New York University to begin work on her Master's degree.

Alfred Henebry '40 is joining the navy soon.

The following have new positions:

Ruth Colton, '40, Hancock

Martha Buck, '40, Weston

Doris Galbraith, '41, Orwell (lower grades)

Beverly Hoadly, '41, Middletown Springs

Charlotte Irish, '40, Barre

Bessie Toth, '40, Peru

Anna Heleba, '41, Montpelier, second grade.

Florence Ryan, '41, was married to Paul McCormick, May 16.

GRADUATION TO BE HELD JUNE 8

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School of Education, he joined the staff of New York University as a professor in the department of Teacher College and Normal School Education.

He has acted as adviser to innumerable chautauquas, universities, teachers colleges and normal schools. During his years at the university he has personally visited all the tax-supported teacher-preparation institutions in the United States.

It was under his leadership that the Eastern States Association of Professional Schools for Teachers was organized and, for six years he served as its president. His writings are well-known among educators and those interested in education. He is considered one of a few national authorities on teacher education.

Curran, Perry Mayo, Ted Whalen, Joseph McCormick, Donald Coleman, and Nelson Williams.

As this column predicted early in April the New York Yankees are leading the American League and are on their way to another World Championship.

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C.N.S. TO OBSERVE 74th COMMENCEMENT

Alumni Association Plans Reunions

Under the leadership of Lawrence Ward '37, the Alumni Association is completing plans for holding its annual reunion during Commencement week, Saturday, June 6, 1942. Two new features will be inaugurated by the Association this year. A five year plan for class reunions will be started with the return of the following classes: 1877, 1882, 1887, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1907, 1912, 1917, 1922, 1927, 1932, 1937, and 1942. Earl Houston '39 as editor-in-chief and Martha Langdon Towers '33 as associate editor will issue the first of an Alumni bulletin which will include news of the Alumni happenings and suggestions for a more active Association.

The program for the day includes a business meeting in the afternoon and a banquet in the evening followed by informal visiting.

Committees in charge of arrangements are: Hospitality, chairman Olive Rumney '41; Program, chairman Jean Adams '40; and Nominating, chairman Marjorie McCarthy '25.

Cards have been sent out by the Association urging every member of the reunion classes to be present.

Officers of the Association are for 1942: President, Lawrence Ward '37; First Vice-President, Robert Lorette '37; Second Vice-president, Marion Horan '31; Secretary, Erma Hopper '35; and Treasurer, Hollis Johnson 1896.

OFFICERS FOR 1942-1943

Elections have been held with the following results:

International Club

President, Shirley Martin
Vice-President, Nelson Williams
Secretary, Anita Wilder
Treasurer, Joseph McCormick

Commuters' Association

President, Rita Langdon
Vice-President, Leonard Johnson
Secretary, Margaret Lynch
Treasurer, Marilyn Cady

C.N.S. Players

President, Dorothy Snow
Vice-President, Irene Flint
Secretary-Treasurer, Nelson Williams

Rural Club

President, Hazel Beals
Vice-President, Margaret Lynch
Secretary, Florence Loveland
Treasurer, Jennie Hull

Men's Union

President, Perry Mayo
Vice-President, Leonard Johnson
Secretary, Joseph McCormick
Treasurer, Nelson Williams

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This is the last issue of the Birdseye which the present staff will produce. Members of the staff include Norma Bailey, Lodemia Cary, Veronica Fish, Helen Hall, Claire Hebard, Helen King, Anna Lenoci, Marione Levarne, Jean Long, Alma Meader, Francis Moriarty, Christine Pratt, Frances Stewart and Anita Wilder.

Commencement Week Program

Wednesday, June 3

Last Chapel, 10:30 A.M.
Garden Party, 4:00—5:00 P.M.
Play, 8:30 P.M.

Auditorium
Glenbrook
Auditorium

Thursday, June 4

College Picnic

Lake St. Catherine

Friday, June 5

College Informal Party, 9:00—1:00

Leavenworth Hall

Saturday, June 6

Alumni Day

Sunday, June 7

Baccalaureate Exercises, 3:00 P.M.

Processional

"The Heavens Resound" Beethoven, Women's Glee Club

Invocation, Rev. Howard L. Stimmel, Poultney

"O, Rest in the Lord", from "Elijah," Mendelssohn, soloist, Donald Coleman, '45

Scripture, Principal Erm6 Houston Scott

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," Riley, Mixed Choir

Address, "The End of Knowledge," President Jesse P. Bogue, Green Mountain

Junior College, Poultney

"God of All Nature," Tschalkowsky

Benediction, Rev. Howard L. Stimmel

Recessional

Informal Luncheon—all graduates, 6:00 P.M.

Candle Lighting Service—7:00 P.M.

Monday, June 8

Commencement Exercises, 10:00 A.M.

Processional

Invocation, Rev. Maxwell L. Clough, Castleton

"Grant Us to do with Zeal," Bach, Mixed Choir

"Land of our Hearts," Chadwick, Women's Choir

Greetings from the State by Governor William H. Wills

Announcements

Trio, "By the Waters of Minnetonka," Lieurance, Anne Suneson, '44, Virginia Renahan, '44, Barbara Bouvier, '44.

Address, "And Now Abideth What?" Dr. Ambrose L. Suhrie, New York University

"I Hear America Calling," Neale-Marlowe, Women's Glee Club

Announcements

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Graduation To Be Held June 8

Baccalaureate Speaker

Dr. Jesse P. Bogue, President of Green Mountain Junior College, will speak to the student body of the Castleton Normal School Baccalaureate Sunday, June 7. His address is entitled "The End of Knowledge".

Though he was born in Alabama, Dr. Bogue has been a Vermonter eleven years. He received his doctor's degree from De Pauw University in Indiana, then taught in Illinois Wesleyan University for a year, following which he was ordained as a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. A veteran of World War I, he served as chaplain in the 49th artillery overseas from 1917 to 1919. At the close of the war, he returned to Indiana where he held a pastorate and where he also served as superintendent of schools. After several years spent in various pastorates in Indiana, Tennessee and New York, in 1931 he accepted the position of headmaster of Troy Conference Academy, now Green Mountain Junior College, Poultney, Vermont.

Address To Graduates

The commencement address on Monday will be given by Dr. Ambrose L. Suhrie of New York University. His topic is "And Now Abideth—What?"

This is not Dr. Suhrie's first visit to Vermont or Castleton. He has visited C.N.S. several times in recent years and has spoken at other places in the state.

Dr. Suhrie has been a member of the staff of New York University since 1924 and is soon to retire in order to further pursue his study of the problem relating to education in the south. His life has been spent in furthering the interests of education in the role of public school teacher, principal and superintendent. In 1912 he became the head of the Normal Department of the Georgia State College for Women. Since then he has specialized in the field of teacher education. After a short time as head of the Cleveland (Continued on page 4)

JUNIORS TO HOLD SCHOOL PARTY

The Junior party which is this year taking the place of the annual Junior Prom will be held in Leavenworth Hall Friday evening, June 5, from 9 to 12 P.M. The dining room will be transformed into an outdoor garden—gold fish pond and everything for the dancers. For those who do not care for dancing there will be games in the lobby. Music, popular music, will issue forth from a shepherd's pipe. Dance programs will in some way follow out the gold fish idea. Punch and cookies will be served at intermission.

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AND SO — TO WORK

A new atmosphere invades the campus as June 8 approaches. Boys and girls have become men and women. Their manner, their expression, and even their conversation show it. Those with a contract tucked safely in their pockets speak with pride of "my school" and of what "my pupils" will do and what "our P.T.A." will accomplish. They can be seen busily copying songs, games, and seat work ideas; seeking "extra" information about tests, text books, and work-books; and asking myriads of such questions as, "How do you balance a register?", "What do you do the first day?", and "What will I do if I can't solve an eighth grade arithmetic problem?"

All this activity indicates an increased feeling of inadequacy and denotes a heightened nervousness which are healthy signs. They signify that graduation has come to have its true meaning of commencement; that although we may leave behind our carefree student ways, we are only beginning life as responsible, mature adults; but more than that, that we are becoming members of the teaching profession.

This new position in society means that we are expected by our superintendents and supervisors to be a credit to the profession; by Mr. Average Citizen to be a leader in the community and to prepare boys and girls for future citizenship; by Johnny's parents to give him the tools he will need in life; and by our pupils to make school fun, learning easy, and to help them discover the mysteries of the world and of life.

Are we equal to the task? Can we fulfill our obligations? If we realize that no one knows everything, that our education is just beginning, and if we continue endeavoring to learn by every experience we have, and never fail to achieve our best, we will be an asset to our profession and to society, and will make proud our Alma Mater.

RETURN TO SIMPLICITY

Dobbin slipped into the shadows and was lost in the past when the automobile came into the limelight in 1905, and has remained in the background ever since except for appearance on the racetrack, or at the circus or the Fair. But like Tommy Atkins, old Dobbin has a special place when "the troops begin to ride." Now that tires are in the dishrag state and gas is measured in teaspoons, Dobbin and Shank's mare are staging a comeback. There are those will who complain bitterly at not being able to race around the country or find their fun in distant places, but already people are adjusting themselves to changing conditions and dusting off some old forms of pleasures which have been packed away so long they are almost forgotten.

It is refreshing to leave a busy office and find quiet relaxation and opportunity for meditation and fishing in a murmuring stream. Walking through woods and over hills speeds up circulation, gives strength to flabby muscles, creates an appetite, and makes one glad to be alive.

Picnicking in the backyard helps one become better acquainted with his neighbors, makes a simple meal seem like a dish fit for a king and gives a chance for everyone from grandmother down to baby to be included.

In the hustle and bustle of the world today we have missed many of the beauties of nature. Walks through woods and fields reveal where the bees store their honey, where the oriole builds his nest, and where the lady's slipper grows. No one has really lived until he has felt the wind and rain in his face and seen the fields bathed in the white and gold of daisies and buttercups in summer sunshine. There is nothing so delicate or so rare as the fragrance of the first arbutus; nothing more soothing than the whispering of the wind in the pine trees, or nothing more pleasing than the meadowlark calling to his mate over fields of ripening grain.

When peace has come again and people look back on these times, they will find many personal gains in the return to simple outdoor life. Wholesome activities increase physical energy and give a new outlook on one's self, one's neighbors and the problems both must meet.



Dear Miss Kelly,

We, of the Birdseye staff, who have worked with you, have come to realize your unfailing interest and effort in our behalf and in behalf of the Birdseye.

Since the birth of the Birdseye, you have been its devoted guide and friend. You have inspired its members to achieve their best workmanship and to be patient in reaching this goal.

We want you to know how deeply we appreciate every thought and deed which has shown your untiring devotion.

May you have every success in future years and may the Birdseye always reach the high ideals which you have inspired.

With sincere appreciation,
The Birdseye Staff.

RESULTS EXPECTED

Movie goers and critics who inspired the editorial in the April Birdseye suggesting that organizations active in our school life apply the philosophy of the larks in the wheat field by doing something about the poor sound effects in the auditorium will be pleased to know that their criticism is bearing fruit. Mr. Keech immediately took the matter up with the Smith Lumber Company and got an engineer of the U.S. Gypsum Company, Glens Falls to investigate the conditions and draw up plans that will improve the sound qualities.

Mr. Schuyler, the engineer, estimated that the materials and work would cost from \$200 to \$500. He also stated that this would not only improve the acoustical quality, but would add to the attractiveness of the room.

Mr. Scott generously offers to match all funds which we may raise. The harder we pull together the larger our contribution will be and the more Mr. Scott will have to match. Even though we can't raise the full amount by June 8, we can make a noble start. By following this spring's efforts with a little determination and elbow grease next fall we

THE DIARY OF A
PLAIN PRINCIPAL

Thursday, May 21

Two leaks reported. One in hot water service to Home Ec. Lab. Must replace. Other indicated by large spots on dining hall ceiling threatening repairs by tearing up bathroom floor. Chance disclosure that afternoon previous a careless student flooded floor by leaving tap running while laundering handkerchief. Might lead to expensive replastering if repeated. Station wagon to be delivered on May 30. Senate report indicates activity and good thinking on problems. Willingness to tackle vexing problems. Federated annual meeting in evening. Led singing.

Friday, May 22

Supers calling on positions. Must find way to check students who have signed contracts to avoid duplication of effort and needless interruption of schedules. Forenoon in Rutland for monthly banking and campus errands. State auditor ended six day's checking of two year's accounts. Clean bill, perhaps twenty-five cents out. Student conferences for employment. Is there relationship between attitude on one job and probable attitude on another? Conference with engineer on acoustic treatment of auditorium. First meeting of New Student Association. Good work by chairman. Rutland High School assembly talk next Friday.

Monday, May 25

Last regular chapel this semester. Mysterious package in office contains academic regalia for Dr. Suhrie. Forehanded as always. Congratulations on careful use of electricity for year hollow. Informed meter has been defective since August. Additional bill of over \$300. Men have rigged power device for back-grinding lawn mowers. Very efficient. Faculty meeting at 2:30. Sundry business for close of year. Usual faculty party will be picnic at Glen. Seminar in evening to summarize year's program and evaluate Dr. Stratameyer's contributions. Good discussion with probability of some action. Ed Boak came in at 9:30 and discussed candidates for a time.

Tuesday, May 26

Boak in for interviews first of morning. Mr. Batchelder came in p.m. Departmental matters discussed. Possibility of additional funds for library this year. Mr. Noble awarded honorary doctorate by Middlebury. Picnic at Glen as guest of Birdseye. Good eats including special "Stewart" pork roast and dressing. Brooklyn vs Yanks. Score disputed even after Y's played extra half-inning. Fun. We should play more together. Community Defense party netted \$25.00. Montpelier informs that institutions should hold student sugar cards in custody during time of residence period. Ordered more rice coal for stokers. Almost impossible to obtain. Investigated heating plant, Crows Nest. Memo—inform boarding student no blankets issued coming year because of scarcity. Must furnish all bedding.

will have evidence to present to the holders of the state's money bags that we know how to help ourselves. No legislature could refuse assistance to such a worthy endeavor.

COME ON GROUPS! DO YOUR BEST!

LOOKING FORWARD

"Hello, Mary, come with me and let's look around the school. I just know there are lots of new things to see. First, let's go upstairs and look at those five rooms that have been finished in pastels. Look at that blue one. Oh, wouldn't it be fun to have that room! Say aren't the hall floors nifty with that new finish? Arlene told me that the floors at Phillips House are all done over, too.

"Let's go over to Woodruff Hall. I am just aching to see if they have done anything there. Look, they have started work in the Men's Room. Won't it be nice to have a recreation room in this building? Birdseye should get a scoop saying 'Girls Enter Men's Room For First Time', but of course it will be for boys as well as girls. I just saw Ted and he said that the boys' rest rooms were all remodeled and had new showers."

Off to the Old Chapel. "Miss Markham should be able to make things hum this year with the music room all painted and refinished. Look outside. Doesn't it look nice? And they have been developing the parking space and the grounds look so green and fresh.

"You know, I heard that they are going to have an automatic stoker at the Glen. With an adequate heating system at the Crows' Nest, the boys ought to be able to keep the icicles off their beds this year, that is, if they keep the fires going.

"I guess that's all that's new so let's go back and see if we can't possibly hook one of those new blue rooms."

OFFICERS FOR 1942-1943

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Birdseye Steering Committee

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FROM THE EXCHANGE

Required notebooks

Personally, required notebooks have been the bane of my existence. It has been my experience that notes hastily written during a class discussion are often later misinterpreted (if they can be read at all). In studying for a test, I



Barbara Phillips

Seniors are all agog over the diamond which flashes on the hand of one of their member. Frequent whispered questions: "Is it true?", "Can it be real?" may be heard.

So far no denials have come from either Barbara or Donald.

The Birdseye hastens to extend its heartiest congratulations and best wishes to you both.

CLOUGHS ENTERTAIN

Reverend and Mrs. Clough entertained members of the Sophomore Class at their home Tuesday evening, May 26. The students enjoyed an excellent buffet supper, after which they played games and relays. Later the group gathered around the piano for singing. All the guests wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Clough for a pleasant evening.

STUDENTS' POSITIONS

Several students have accepted positions during the past few weeks. The following are those who have signed contracts.

SENIORS

Bertha Hinckley, West Springfield, Springfield, Vt.; Yohanna Karlson, Londonderry, Vt.; Barbara Phillips, Gassetts, Vt.

JUNIORS

Jeanne Lanthier, Pompanoosue, Vt.; Betty Sargent, East Putney, Vt.

SOPHOMORES

Lois Bassett, Sudbury Hill, Sudbury, Vt.; Norma Betts, Starksboro Gore, Starksboro, Vt.; Margery Dickinson, Scottsville, Danby, Vt.; Eileen Eaton, Bump School, Benson, Vt.; Veronica Fish, Brooklyn, Mt. Tabor, Vt.; Mae Grant, West Hill, Lincoln, Vt.; Elaine Jacobs, Baldwin School, Binesburg, Vt.; Helen Jamieson, Sunderland, East Arlington, Vt.; Marion Levarne, Lincoln Corners, Vt.; Ellen McGinn, Orwell Hill, Orwell, Vt.; Christine Pratt, Salisbury Plains, Salisbury, Vt.; Mildred White, Bennington, Vt.; Norma Bessette, North Ferrisburg, Vt.; Barbara Bouvier, Potash Bay, Vergennes, Vt.; Margaret Cassidy, Sudbury, Vt.; Merilda Gingras, Monkton, Vt.; Paulina Howard, North Hartland, Vt.; Beverly Wood, Weathersfield, Vt.

have found it of infinitely more value to go to the original sources to review. As for the previously mentioned "pearls of wisdom" I prefer to string mine on a thread of memory in my brain rather than keep them in a notebook safe deposit vault.

Editorial
Tower Light
Towson, Maryland

EVERYBODY'S DOING IT

One of the activity highlights of the spring semester has been group picnics.

Monday night, May 18, the Rural Club held a picnic supper at the ledges back of the school. Hazel Beals and Jennie Hull were members of the picnic committee.

The Seniors were entertained Wednesday night, May 30, at a steak supper at Glenbrook by their class sponsor Miss Kelly.

Mrs. Phillip Leavenworth was hostess to the fifteen Phillip's House girls Wednesday night, May 20. The supper, originally planned as a picnic was served at the house because of rain. Misses Mary Markham, Elizabeth Hale and Norma Bailey were guests.

The Commuters were served a picnic dinner, Monday noon, May 25, at the ledges. Marilyn Cady was in charge of the picnic.

The Birdseye Staff held a picnic, Tuesday, May 26, at Glenbrook Oven. Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Fox were guests. Frances Stewart's mother played fairy godmother and provided many delicious additions to the supper.

The final picnic event will take place tomorrow, June 4, at Lake St. Catherine, when all the members of the Normal School will roll merrily on their way to a most enjoyable day. Among the many highlights of the occasion, there'll be boating, swimming, dancing, baseball, bowling and, last but not least, the delicious luncheon at noon.

C. N. S. PLAYERS TO PRESENT PLAY

The play *Cyrano de Bergerac* by Edmund Rastand is to be presented by the C.N.S. players of the Castleton Normal School Wednesday evening, June 3, 1942 at 8:30.

Neville Scott plays the leading role of Cyrano. Roxane played by Rhoda Pratt, is courted by Cyrano and by Christain, enacted by Perry Mayo. Other characters in this drama are: LeGuiche, Edward Curran; Ragueneare, Ann Suneson; Sister Marthe, Lois Bassett; Captain Carbon de Castel-Joloux, Francis Moriarity and Ligniere, Glenn Maynard.

THANK YOU

"The Birdseye" staff and members are looking back on a very full and enjoyable year. At this time we want to remember the other twelve students who worked with us the first half—Aleda White, Delia Walker, Dorothy Snow, Anne Suneson, Kathleen Ryan, Eileen Eaton, Lyola Eagan, Margaret Cassidy, Josephine Hinckley, Dorothy Smith and Eleanor Wilson—we're sorry you couldn't have stayed with us.

We are appreciating another group of people now, too—our Advertisers. The best way we can show this is by remembering who they were this summer.

To Mr. Foley and his workers we extend our sincerest appreciation for the special effort and interest which he has given our paper.

C. N. S. HONOR ROLL

To date C.N.S. has at least six of her alumni in the armed forces of the United States. Among those already in are:

Robert Lorette '37 Center Rutland, Air Corps

George Young '39, Castleton, Army

George Harrington '38, Castleton, Army

Alfred Henebry '40, Castleton, Navy

Edward Hart '41, Niagara Falls, Air corps

Wendell Bartholemeu, Benson, Army

Other alumni who will go into service this summer are:

Joseph Sanders '40, Rutland

"Sandy" Beretta '40, Proctor

Ralph Hayes '33, Fair Haven

Harold Gibbs '41, Castleton Corners

Bernard Odell '40, Benson

Walter Raynes '44, Pittsford

From this year's graduating class two will be inducted in June: Phillip Kelly and Francis Moriarity both of Fair Haven. Other graduates who are registered and will be on call are Edward Fish, Castleton, Joseph Solari, Center Rutland, and Lenord Dordick, West Rutland. Glen Maynard of Fair Haven expects to enlist in the Coast Guard immediately after graduation.

CHAPELS

"One of my impressions of the army is that most of the men are just plain Americans. They are not primarily interested in the peace that will come after the war but are ready to do a job and hope that their bit may help," said Robert Lorette, in a talk to Castleton Normal School students in a program sponsored by the Castleton. Mr. Lorette described vividly his first few days in the army and pictured a typical day at camp.

Defense has played a large part in chapel programs of late. Mr. Koltonski, Fire Chief of Rutland, gave an illustrated talk on bombings, different types of bombs and the sort of damage each does. Films showing women engaged in war activities were shown. Their occupations range all the way from inspecting shells to sewing on uniforms or precise work in chemical laboratories.

Mrs. Russell Sholles, first vice-president of the Vermont Parent-Teacher Association, outlined the objectives of this organization to students and faculty. She stressed the need for cooperation of parents and teachers for the development of the whole child. Much responsibility rests with the educated parent. The teacher must help all fathers and mothers to understand what the school is trying to do.

More slides of life at C.N.S. have been made. The last showing gave the nearly completed yearly cycle as lived at the college. Many of the social activities were pictured and the relationship of the location of the buildings to the town.

Ping Pong came in for its due recently. A lively demonstration was given under the tutelage of Perry Mayo.

The proclamation for I Am an American Day introduced a new type of special observance program. An interesting feature presented was a series of recordings of Revolutionary War songs authentically reproduced.

BREVITIES

Gladys Clark, Dede White, Rhoda Curran, Shirley Martin, Judy Crossman, and Eddie Curran attended the Music Festival in Burlington, Saturday, May 9.

Gertrude Murray, Northfield, Mass., spent the week-end of May 16 at Leavenworth Hall with her sister, Emma Murray.

Those who were entertained away from school the weekend of May 16 were:

Betty Sargent at Kay Howard's home in Benson.

Helen Comes and Becky Wood at Merilda Gingras' home in Middlebury.

Hazel Beals at Pauline Easton's home in Shoreham.

Helen Jamieson and Frannie Douglas in Mendon.

Elsie Lourie at Rae Stratton's home in Bennington.

Those who were entertained away from school Memorial weekend were:

Claire Hebard at Shirley Martin's home in Chester.

Hazel Beals at Pauline Easton's home in Shoreham.

Helen King at Frannie Douglas' home in Middlebury.

Christine Pratt, Marion Levarne, Ellen McGinn, Jane Bueche, Dorothy Smith, Jo Hinekey, and Lodemia Cary are planning to spend a week on Lake Bomoseen this summer.

How the summer will be spent by others: Irene Flint—waitress in cafeteria at Bryant's Shop, Springfield, Vermont.

Helen King—waitress at Dog Team Tavern, Middlebury, Vermont.

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SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Today after much arbitration and deep thought, we, of the Birdseye staff, willingly decided to devote this sports column to our masterly but fun-loving superiors, the faculty. Somehow they couldn't confine themselves to merely one sport, so we agreed to print all and any facts concerning the "other half" of their lives. First of all we cornered Mr. Keech.

Mr. Keech: About all we can say for this ardent stamp collector is that he is pretty scarce with his sporting information. However, he has another, in which he occasionally says he indulges. For the more curious people the Birdseye will tell this sport upon request.

Miss Kelly: We quote, "My 'spectator' interests in sports are horse racing, discus and javelin throwing, basketball, baseball, and boat races." She also like fishing if someone baits the hook and then removes the fish (if she has caught any). Lastly she likes to cook out-of-door such things as a tasty, savory steak.

Miss Jackson: A day on a horse, quoits, bowling, archery, golf, and a gay walk with a dog would be this sport's fan most delightful day. But tops for her, though infrequently experienced are festival developments with riotous and beautiful folk dancing and she adds, the modern dance. In this new order of living she predicts less competition in American sports, a greater enthusiasm, as with the old Greeks, on how well the javelin is thrown not how far.

Mr. Fox: This man goes in for sports in a mighty big way, folks. Football is first and foremost. In a high school in New Jersey, he played halfback and proudly proclaims they were champs for two years. A torn ligament forced him to devote his efforts to track during college days. From all reports he was a "shark" at swimming the backstroke and free-style, so much so he placed first in a New Jersey Conference Meet.

Miss Morrill: Here is another interested fan in swimming but she likes hers in salt water. We especially like her idea of having a pool right here on campus. (In our minds nothing could be better) Horseback riding along wooded lanes calls

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SPORTS FOR MEN

The tennis courts have held the spotlight on the campus for the past two weeks. The courts are in good condition and are much in demand. Lenord Dordick remains undefeated and is now the number one tennis player on the campus. Joe McCormick is a close second to Dordick and is the outstanding Freshman on the courts. Maynard, Whalen, Mayo and Coleman also rank among the tennis enthusiasts.

Due to exams and play practice the turnouts for the softball games has been small. The Upperclassmen are still leading the Freshmen in the number of daily games won. "Bud" Fish, who has been disabled with a back injury has returned to the Senior line up.

Ted Whalen is the men's leading representative on the Bulls Eye Club. Ted claims he has hit the bulls eye four out of five tries for a daily record.

At the last chapel, June 3rd, Coach Fox will award letters to the members of the basketball squad. Due to the possibility that there will be no intercollegiate basketball at C.N.S. for the duration of the war the Men's Athletic Council has voted to award letters to all members of the squad who completed the season, though all members did not play the required number of minutes set up by the Council for the earning of letters. Those who will receive their letters are: Glenn Maynard, Francis Moriarity, Edward Fish (Mgr.), Joseph Solari, Edward

to her leisure time as does golf. She feels snow-shoeing is a great sport and allows her more time in which to view the landscape, than does skiing.

Of course the remainder of our faculty really do have their long line of sports but they failed to share them with us.

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ALUMNI NOTE

Eleanor McLaughlin is leaving her position at Plymouth State Teacher College at the close of classes to go to New York University to begin work on her Master's degree.

Alfred Henebry '40 is joining the navy soon.

The following have new positions:

Ruth Colton, '40, Hancock

Martha Buck, '40, Weston

Doris Galbraith, '41, Orwell (lower grade)

Beverly Hoadly, '41, Middletown Spring

Charlotte Irish, '40, Barre

Bessie Toth, '40, Peru

Anna Heleba, '41, Montpelier, second grade.

Florence Ryan, '41, was married to Paul McCormick, May 16.

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School of Education, he joined the staff of New York University as a professor in the department of Teacher College and Normal School Education.

He has acted as adviser to innumerable chautauquas, universities, teachers colleges and normal schools. During his years at the university he has personally visited all the tax-supported teacher preparation institutions in the United States.

It was under his leadership that the Eastern States Association of Professional Schools for Teachers was organized and for six years he served as its president. His writings are well-known among educators and those interested in education. He is considered one of the national authorities on teacher education.

Curran, Perry Mayo, Ted Whalen, Joseph McCormick, Donald Coleman, and Nelson Williams.

As this column predicted early in April the New York Yankees are leading the American League and are on their way to another World Championship.

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